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## FOREWORD

This work describes a FORTRAN algorithm, called Subroutine EINMUF, which provides a prediction, over a specified HF path, of the Maximum Usable Frequency (MUF), the Frequency of Optimum Transmission (FOT), and the Lowest Usable Frequency (LUF). A single call to EINMUF produces a sequence of up to 24 predictions, the first for a specified day-time group DTG, and each of the others for a time one hour following the time of the previous prediction. MUF calculations are made in any one of a number of methods, depending upon the type and age of solar and HF propagation data available at the time of prediction. The calculational hierarchy starts with the use of near-real-time ionospheric oblique-incidence-sounder data (the Maximum Observable Frequency, or MOF) from the specified HF path (or a nearby one), from which an effective sunspot number is calculated and used as a parameter in the NOSC MINIMUF85 MUF-prediction program. This is the Updating technique, and is the preferred method for MUF prediction. If no sounder data is available, but a recent measurement of solar 10.7-cm flux is available, that value will be converted to an equivalent sunspot number and used with MINIMUF85. Lacking a 10.7-cm flux value, a recent sunspot number measurement will be used. If there is inadequate data for a MUF prediction by the previous methods, but there does exist some sounder data (even though it failed to satisfy the requirements of the first attempt at Updating), a second attempt at Updating using the imperfect sounder data will be made. If this is not possible, then a table will be searched for an applicable sunspot number prediction based on measured sunspot numbers from previous years, extrapolated by the McNish-Lincoln method. In the absence of McNish-Lincoln extrapolated data, a sunspot number is derived from a mean-value representation of the 11-year solar sunspot number cycle.

The algorithm was designed to provide usable propagation predictions without extensive expertise from the operator. Decisions regarding suitability of propagation and solar data are therefore made as transparent as possible to the operator.

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# EINMUF: AN HF MUF, FOT, LUF PREDICTION PROGRAM

## I. GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Subroutine EINMUF is an algorithm designed primarily to provide the HF frequency manager with the best possible estimate of MUF on a specified path, for times up to 24 hours in advance. The method for calculating MUF depends on the propagation information available. The MUF forecasts are derived from the NOSC MINIMUF85 model, in which solar effects on the ionosphere are incorporated via the sunspot number variable. The sunspot number can be determined in various ways, depending on the type of solar or HF propagation information available. Subroutine EINMUF uses the first sunspot number from the following list for which the required data is available:

1. The effective SSN determined from recent sounder measurements of MOF on an appropriate HF path;
2. The sunspot number SSN derived from a current measured value of solar 10.7-cm flux, as reported by the Space Environment Services Center or other agency;
3. A sunspot number SSN which is a five-day running average of daily sunspot numbers, each determined from the 10.7-cm flux, if available, or from the sunspot number reported by the Space Environment Services Center or other agency;
4. SSN predicted by the McNish-Lincoln extrapolation method;
5. SSN determined from mean 11-year sunspot cycle data.

In addition, subroutine EINMUF delivers values of lowest usable frequency (LUF) and frequency of optimum transmission. Values of LUF are determined by the NOSC QLOF program as published in report NOSC TR1189 (August 1987) by D. B. Sailors and W. K. Moision, with modifications as of July 1989 (private communication). Values of FOT are currently set to 85 percent of the MUF.

The package identified as EINMUF comprises the following FORTRAN subroutines and functions:

NEW PROGRAM ELEMENTS	MINMIMUF PROGRAM ELEMENTS	QLOF PROGRAM ELEMENTS
EINMUF1	MUF85MD	QLOF
EFFSSN	FOF2	ABSORB
NISHLINC	PATH	CH
NISHDAT	RAZGC	CHIPINT
DHOUR	SYGN	SUBSOL
INCDTG	GCRAZ	
MEANSSN		
AVSSN		
TRINTERP		
SSNFILE		

The first column above lists subroutines written specially for ECAC/IITRI. The second column lists the subroutines and functions which calculate MINIMUM MUF predictions, and the third column lists subroutines and functions which calculate QLOF LUF predictions. Figure 1 shows the paths by which the subroutines are called.

The subprograms have the following functions:

EINMUF is a subroutine in which the available solar information is inspected to determine which method of MUF determination is appropriate. Its calling parameters include information about the path, available information about the ionosphere, and the variables LUF, MUF, and FOT to be returned.

EFFSSN is a subroutine which calculates the effective sunspot number corresponding to a measured value of MOF.

NISHLINC is a subroutine which returns, for a specified month and year, a sunspot number prediction which is an extrapolation of measured sunspot numbers calculated by the McNish-Lincoln method.

NISHDAT.DAT is a data file containing McNish-Lincoln predicted sunspot numbers. These data are included as a separate file so that new values can be inserted as they become available, without having to re-compile the EINMUF program. Data file NISHDAT.DAT can be regenerated with newer data using program NISHDAT.FOR.

DHOUR is a subroutine which translates a day-time group DTG into year, day of year, month, day, hour, and a quantity called REFHOUR, which is the number of hours elapsed since 010000ZJAN85. The variable REFHOUR is used to determine the time interval between two values of DTG.

INCDTG is a subroutine which returns a day-time group DTG2 which is exactly one hour later than a specified day-time group DTG1. This subprogram is used to set up the list of times for which MUF, LUF, FOT values are required.

MEANSSN is a subroutine which, for a specified month and year, returns a sunspot number based on the mean 11-year sunspot cycle, starting with a minimum value in September 1986.

AVSSN is a subroutine which manages a file of sunspot number data and calculates a 5-day average sunspot number from the data for the current and four previous days. The data file SSNFILE.DAT is updated everytime EINMUF is called and a previously-unreported sunspot number is included in the variables SSN, DTG2.

MUF85MD is the NOSC MINIMUM routine MUF85, which uses the associated subprograms FOF2, PATH, RAZGC, SYGN, and GCRAZ, with a few minor modifications made for convenience in calling by EINMUF.

QLOF, with the associated subprograms ABSORB, CH, CHPINT, and SUBSOL are NOSC routines for calculating the Lowest Usable Frequency.

TRINTERP is a subroutine which calculates an effective flux by triangular interpolation of effective fluxes determined by sounder measurements on up to three paths, the midpoints of which are "close" to the midpoint of the path for which the MUF prediction is being made. The FORTRAN listing for the subroutine is included with EINMUF, but it's operation has not yet been implemented.

## II. CALLING PARAMETERS

The calling statement for subroutine EINMUF is:

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CALL EINMUF (TLAT, TLONG, RLAT, RLONG, DTG, NUMHRS, CMFLUX, SSN,
             DTG2, LUF, FOT, MUF, HOUR, METHOD, ERRCOD)
```

### Input parameters are:

Variable	Type	Description
TLAT	Real	Transmitter latitude [radians] Limits: $-\pi/2 \leq TLAT \leq \pi/2$
TLONG	Real	Transmitter West longitude [radians] Limits: $0 \leq TLONG \leq 2\pi$
RLAT	Real	Receiver latitude [radians] Limits: $-\pi/2 \leq RLAT \leq \pi/2$
RLONG	Real	Receiver West longitude [radians] Limits: $0 \leq RLONG \leq 2\pi$
DTG	Character*12	Day-time group for which first MUF is being requested Limits: 010000ZJAN85 - 312359ZDEC84 ( = 0000Z 1 Jan 1985 - 2359Z 31 Dec 2084)
NUMHRS	Integer	Number of successive hours, starting with DTG, for which MUFs are being requested Limits: $1 \leq NUMHRS \leq 24$
CMFLUX	Real	Current 10.7-cm flux value. If no current value is available, enter CMFLUX=0.0. Limits: $43 \leq CMFLUX \leq 275$
SSN	Real	Most recent measurement of sunspot number If no current value is available, enter SSN=-300.0 Limits: $-27.31 \leq SSN \leq 250$

DTG2	Character*12	Day-time group of CMFLUX or SSN measurement Limits: Same as for DTG
METHOD(24)	Character*1	(Optional) A lower-case letter entered in the CALL will force a particular method (if data is available); otherwise successive methods from this list will be used: 'm' => updating (Method 1) 'c' => 10.7 cm flux (Method 2) 's' => Measured SSN (Method 3) 'q' => Updating with imperfect sounder data (Method 4) 'l' => McNish-Lincoln SSN (Method 5) 'e' => SSN from mean SSN cycle (Method 6)

Common Block variables used by EINMUF: Common Block /UPMOF/ UPMOF,UPDTG

Variable	Type	Description
UPMOF(96,3)	Real	Array containing 96 measured MOF values [MHz] for each of 3 paths. UPMOF(1,I) is the most recent value for path I; UPMOF(2,I), UPMOF(3,I), etc., are values for successively earlier times. Limits: UPMOF(I) > 0
UPDTG(96,3)	Real	Array containing 96 day-time groups for each of 3 paths, corresponding to the MOF values of array UPMOF(96,3). UPDTG(1,I) is the time of the most recent measurement for path I; UPDTG(2,I), UPDTG(3,I), etc. are DTGs corresponding to successively earlier times. Limits: Same as for DTG



OUTPUT PARAMETERS:

Variable	Type	Description
MUF(24)	Real	First NUMHRS elements contain MUF [Mhz] for successive hours starting with DTG Limits: $2.0 \leq \text{MUF}(I) \leq 50.0$
FOT(24)	Real	First NUMHRS elements contain FOT [Mhz] for successive hours starting with DTG Limits: $1.7 \leq \text{FOT}(I) \leq 42.5$
LUF(24)	Real	First NUMHRS elements contain LUF [Mhz] for successive hours starting with DTG Limits: $1.5 \leq \text{LUF}(I) \leq 50.0$
HOURL(24)	Integer	For first NUMHRS elements, HOURL(I) contains integer hour of the MUF(I) prediction Limits: $0 \leq \text{HOURL} \leq 23$
METHOD(24)	Character*1	For first NUMHRS elements, METHOD(I) contains the code letter of method used to obtain prediction MUF(I): M => Updating (Method 1) C => 10.7 cm flux measurement (Method 2) S => SSN measurement (Method 3) Q => Updating with imperfect sounder data (Method 4) L => McNish-Lincoln SSN prediction (Method 5) E => SSN from mean 11-year solar cycle (Method 6)

### III. CALCULATIONAL METHODS

#### A. MUF CALCULATIONS

##### A1. UPDATING METHOD OF MUF PREDICTION

The Updating method is based on the assumption that the MUF on an HF path for times in the near future can be predicted more accurately by taking into account recent MUF measurements on that path (or on a nearby path) than by using a statistical MUF model alone. The value of this technique has been established in a number of studies. See, for example, Reilly and Daehler (1986), Goodman et al. (1984), and Daehler (1984).

Subroutine EINMUF therefore attempts, as a first choice, to find Updating data (in the COMMON block /UPMOF/) which are sufficiently recent to provide an adequate ionospheric assessment. These quantities are contained in the arrays UPMOF(I,J), UPDTG(I,J) which contain, respectively, the MOF measurement and the day-time group DTG of that measurement for paths J = 1 to 3 and measurements I = 1 to 96. At a rate of one sounder measurement per path every 15 minutes, these arrays permit storage of a full 24-hours accumulation of sounder data for each of the three paths. It is assumed that UPDTG(I,1) is the DTG of the most recent measurement on path I, and that other elements of the array, UPDTG(I,2), UPDTG(I,3), etc., are at successively earlier times.

A substantial part of the Updating process is a determination of which of the available measurements are sufficiently close to the time for which a prediction is required to be useful. The comparison of two times is somewhat complicated because times are specified by day-time group, and the two times may correspond to different days, months, or even years. The occurrence of a leap day in the year may also have an effect. For this reason, each day-time group which has to be compared is converted in EINMUF to a reference time, which is defined as the number of hours since 010000ZJAN85. The conversion from DTG to REFHOUR is a part of Subroutine D HOUR.

Subroutine EINMUF is able to predict MUFs for NUMPTS times, starting with the day-time DTG. For the Kth prediction, for which the reference time is REFHOUR(K), the following values are considered acceptable MUF values for Updated predictions:

1. Average of all UPMOFs whose times fall between REFHOUR(K) - 2.1 and REFHOUR(K), if there is at least one value;
2. Average of all UPMOFs whose times fall between REFHOUR(K) - 3.1 and REFHOUR(K), if there is at least one value;
3. Average of all UPMOFs whose times fall between REFHOUR(K) - 4.1 and REFHOUR(K), if there is at least one value;
4. Average of all UPMOFs whose times fall between REFHOUR(K) - 5.1 and REFHOUR(K), if there is at least one value;

5. Average of all UPMOFs whose times fall between REFHOUR(K) - 6.1 and REFHOUR(K), if there is at least one value;
6. Average of all UPMOFs whose times fall between REFHOUR(K) - 7.1 and REFHOUR(K), if there is at least one value;
7. Average of all UPMOFs whose times fall between REFHOUR(K) - 25.1 and REFHOUR(K) - 18.9, if there is at least one value.

These criteria are based on data collected on three paths in eastern USA (Daehler, 1984). In this work, it was shown that MUFs predicted by Updating were more accurate than MINIMUF3.5 predictions if the updating data was obtained 7 hours or less previous to the time for which the predictions were made. The advantage is also realized if the Update prediction is made with data collected between 19 and 24 hours earlier, even though Updating with data aged between roughly 8 and 18 hours gives results less accurate than those of MINIMUF3.5. These conclusions are taken from Figure 2.

If the data cannot satisfy any of the above criteria, the Updating method can't be used, and MUF determination by the next method (use of a measured 10.7 cm flux) is attempted. Assuming that Updating data sufficient to satisfy one of the above conditions does exist, the following steps are then taken:

1. The average value of the updating times (PDHR values) is taken;
2. The effective sunspot number SSNEFF corresponding to the average UPMOF value and the average updating time is calculated;
3. SSNEFF is used in MINIMUF85 to calculate the Updated MUF for the required time.

## A2. MEASURED 10.7 CM FLUX METHOD OF MUF PREDICTION

In the absence of adequate Updating data, the MUF is calculated using a measured value of solar 10.7 cm flux, if the EINMUF calling statement contains a non-zero value of the parameter CMFLUX. This quantity expresses the measured value of solar 10.7 cm flux in units of  $10^{-22} \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ Hz}^{-1}$ . For use in MINIMUF85, CMFLUX is converted into an equivalent sunspot number according to the relationship between sunspot number according to the relationship between sunspot number and 10.7 cm flux determined by Steward and Leftin (1972) and recommended by Sailors et al. (1986):

$$\text{CMFLUX} = 63.7 + 0.728 * \text{SSN} + 0.00089 * \text{SSN}^2$$

Solving this equation for SSN yields

$$\text{SSN} = 561.8 * [\text{SQRT}(0.303 + 0.00356 * \text{CMFLUX}) - 0.728].$$

The limits to the variable CMFLUX correspond to the range SSN[-27.31, 250] of sunspot number values which are meaningful for MINIMUF85. The corresponding range of meaningful 10.7 cm flux values is CMFLUX[42.2, 275.1].

Current values of 10.7 cm flux, updated approximately every three hours, can be obtained from the answering telephone service of the Space Environment Services Center, Boulder, Colorado. Phone number is (303) 497-3235.

### A3. AVERAGE SUNSPOT NUMBER METHOD OF MUF PREDICTION

If a MUF calculation by the previous methods has been unsuccessful, or if the use of a specific sunspot number is required by specification of 's' in the METHOD calling parameter, then EINMUF calculates the MUF using MINIMUF85 with a five-day running-average sunspot number SSN. Function AVSSN manages a file SSNFILE.DAT of daily sunspot numbers, and uses data from this file to calculate five-day average values. The daily values are determined from measurements of CMFLUX, if available (see section A2); otherwise, they are reported measurements of sunspot number. The average value for a given day is calculated as the average of all the SSN values existing in SSNFILE.DAT for that day and the preceding four days, a total of up to five values. If there are no SSN values in SSNFILE.DAT for the appropriate days, Function AVSSN returns the value -300.0.

A smoothed sunspot number is generally appropriate in frequency-management applications because the decreased fluctuations in the smoothed value are considered more characteristic of the ionospheric propagation medium than the typically large fluctuations in the daily sunspot number. There is no definitive information on the best averaging time, although it is typically taken to be three to five days. The value used in AVSSN is five days. The number of days over which SSN is averaged can be easily changed by resetting the value of the variable NUMDAYS in function AVSSN. Details on doing this are contained in the section on Function AVSSN and in the FORTRAN listings.

Whenever subroutine EINMUF is called, the daily sunspot number value SSN2 is determined either from CMFLUX or SSN, and Subroutine AVSSN is called to store the values SSN2, DTG2 in file SSNFILE.DAT. Only one value of SSN is stored for each day. If EINMUF is called with a DTG2 corresponding to a day for which there already is a stored value of sunspot number, the stored value is updated with the new value.

The sunspot number averaging feature is also contained in Function AVSSN(DTG,DTG2,SSN). Function AVSSN is called every time EINMUF is entered, so that any available DTG2,SSN2 will be entered into the data file SSNFILE.DAT, even if the MUFs requested in the call do not require calculation by the parameters CMFLUX or SSN. This procedure assures that any sunspot number data present in any call to EINMUF will be entered into SSNFILE.DAT, and will be available for future calls to EINMUF.

The amount of data stored in the file SSNFILE.DAT is limited to thirty DTG2,SSN data pairs. This was considered to be large enough to handle any forseen exercise, without permitting the file to grow to unlimited size. If this amount of data should prove to be inadequate (or unnecessarily large), the quantity of data saved may of course be increased without difficulty.

#### A4. UPDATING WITH IMPERFECT SOUNDER DATA

If the first three methods fail for lack of adequate sounder and ionospheric data, it is still possible that there is available sounder data which did not meet the specifications for the Updating attempt, but which can be used in a second Updating attempt. Even though the sounder data may be old, it is reasonable to expect that Updating with this data may yield more reliable results than the methods based on extrapolation of historical SSN mean values.

In this procedure, an effective SSN is calculated from every measured value of MOF in the UPMOF array, regardless of the times at which the measurements were made. These effective fluxes are then averaged, and the resulting value is used in MINIMUF85 to determine the MUF.

#### A5. MUF PREDICTION BASED ON MCNISH-LINCOLN SSN EXTRAPOLATION

Sunspot numbers predicted by the McNish-Lincoln method (McNish and Lincoln 1949) are published monthly in the Solar-Geophysical Data Prompt Reports Part I (NOAA, Boulder, Colorado). Values for times up to two or three years in advance are published, although beyond one year the predicted SSN values rapidly approach those of the mean values of the thirteen solar cycles (cycles 7 through 20) used in the extrapolation technique.

McNish-Lincoln sunspot number prediction data are maintained in a separate file named NISHDAT.DAT. This permits data to be revised, as new data become available, simply by revising the small file NISHDAT.DAT, without requiring that the entire system be recompiled and/or linked. The program NISHDAT.FOR is provided as a convenient way to generate the data file. The quantities required are: (a) a list of consecutive predicted values for any number of consecutive months; (b) the number of months; and (c) the month number (JAN = 1, etc.) and year (e.g., 1989) of PRED(1), the first predicted value in the array. Instructions are included in the source listing.

Subroutine NISHLINC(DTG,SSN) returns a sunspot number SSN for the time specified by the day-time group DTG. The subroutine extracts the month and year from DTG and determines if there is a value in the data array PRED (which contains data taken from NISHDAT.DAT) for that month and year. If so, the variable SSN returns that value. If there is no predicted value for that month and year, the returned value is SSN=-999.0.

#### A6. MUF PREDICTION BASED ON MEAN 11-YEAR SUNSPOT CYCLE

This subroutine is included so that a plausible estimate of SSN, including the effect of the 11-year sunspot cycle variation, will be available to EINMUF even for times in the distant future. The result cannot be considered to have great accuracy because sunspot cycles vary substantially in their maximum SSN values, in their rates of SSN rise and fall, and in the times between maxima and minima. The capability may nevertheless be useful for planning and demonstration purposes.

From tabulated dates of sunspot minima in cycles 1-18 (McNish and Lincoln 1949) the mean time between minima is 11.082 years, or very nearly 133 months. Mean SSN values for cycles 8-20 have been presented in graphical form (e.g., Solar Geophysical Data Prompt Reports, February 1989, Number 534, Part I, page 15). These data have been combined to provide the model used in subroutine MEANSSN. The mean sunspot number values were scaled from the curve in the latter reference. This curve extended for only 128 months, apparently because of the low statistical certainty in determining the mean cycle duration, so the last five values for the 133-month period had to be determined by extrapolation. This results in a discontinuity in our model (the cycle starts with SSN=5 and ends with SSN=9), but this should not be serious because the values are very low and the disparity is not excessive when compared with the overall accuracy of the mean-value approximation. The model is illustrated in Figure 3.

Subroutine MEANSSN references time to September 1986, the time of the most recent sunspot minimum, with successive minima being assumed to occur every 133 months. The sunspot number for any given time is determined by the length of time since the preceding minimum, according to Table 1.

Sunspot numbers in the current sunspot cycle (starting September 1986) have been unusually high, as illustrated in Figure 3. Although the maximum has not yet been reached, it can be estimated from the rate of rise that the maximum will be on the order of twice the mean-cycle maximum. Thus for times in the current cycle (that is, through September 1997) subroutine MEANSSN returns an SSN value which is twice the quantity tabulated in Table 1.

Subroutine MEANSSN( MONTH, MYEAR, SSN) is valid for the months September 1986 through December 2085 (MONTH=9, MYEAR=86 through MONTH=12, MYEAR=185). If the subroutine is called for times outside this range, the value SSN=0.0 is returned. Within the range of validity the value 0.0 never occurs, so testing the returned SSN for a zero value can serve as an out-of-range indication, if desired.

#### B. FOT CALCULATIONS

The frequency of optimum transmission (FOT) can be defined in several different ways. For many purposes it is adequate to define it as a fraction of the MUF, usually between .75 and .90. In EINMUF, the FOT is taken to be 85% of the MUF calculated by MINIMUF.

Alternatively, the FOT can be defined in terms of the highest frequency at which the signal/noise ratio exceeds a minimum required value for a stated fraction of the time during a month (typically 90%). Such a definition requires that the system performance properties be known, which in turn requires that information about transmitter power, antenna gains, and noise levels be known. The use of this FOT definition in the current implementation of EINMUF was not considered because of the unavailability of this information.

### C. LUF CALCULATIONS

The lowest usable frequency (LUF) for an HF circuit is calculated with the NOSC QLOF 2.0 program (Sailors and Moision 1987). The subprograms required along with QLOF are subroutines ABSORB, SUBSOL, and DHOURL and functions CH and CHPINT. Of these, listings for QLOF, ABSORB, CH, and CHPINT were taken from the NOSC QLOF 2.0 reference. Subroutine SUBSOL, which is required for calculation of the sub-solar point coordinates, was obtained from NOSC by private communication. In EINMUF, time is passed to QLOF with the day-time group DTG variable, rather than the array ITIME; thus the NRL subroutine DHOURL is used to decompose DTG into hours, minutes, and seconds, etc.

The QLUF implementation in EINMUF does not include a feature of QLOF 2.0 in which the LUF is adjusted to take into account such system parameters as transmitter power, antenna gains, and required S/N ratio. This adjustment is contained in Subroutine ADJUST (and associated program elements GTABLE, GCRAZ, ANTFAC, SYSDAT, IDANT, and ANTNAME). This omission is due in part to the incomplete documentation in the QLOF 2.0 report, and in part to the fact that inclusion of system parameters was not intended in the EINMUF concept.

### D. MINIMUF

The MUF-prediction program MINIMUF was created by NOSC to provide a useful frequency-management tool with small computer demands. It incorporates an ionosphere which models the statistical mean ionosphere at all positions on the earth. MINIMUF has been extremely successful, and has undergone a number of revisions as the data base upon which the model is based has become larger. The most current published version is MINIMUF85 (Sailors et al., 1986), the FORTRAN listing of which bears the name Subroutine MUF85. The associated subroutines and functions FOF2, PATH, RAZGC, and SYGN are taken from the same reference. Subroutine GCRAZ, which is CALLED by Subroutine PATH, was taken from Sailors and Moision (1987).

Subroutine EINMUF incorporates MINIMUF85 with only a few modifications which make it more convenient for use by EINMUF, and three changes recommended by NOSC. The modifications are:

1. A change in the calling parameter list to include the day-time group DTG instead of the 6-element array ITIME;

2. A change in the calling parameter list to make the program return the value of GO, the effective zenith angle, for use by EINMUF in calculating the effective sunspot number;

3. Removal of the logical variable V and of statements which are included if V = .TRUE.; according to NOSC (private communication), the V = .TRUE. condition is used only when MINIMUF85 is being called for ray-tracing routines in the PROPHET system.

4. Implementation of three modifications to Subroutine MUF85 and Function FOF2 recommended by NOSC (private communication). Referenced to the FORTRAN listings in Sailors et al (1986), these are:

a. In MUF85, page 95, between statements "K9=0.0" and "GO TO 140" (the two lines preceeding statement 100), add the statement "A4=1.0";

b. In FOF2, page 98, change the fifth line from the bottom of the page from U=COS(T\*T) to U=COS(T+T);

c. In FOF2, page 99, change the fifth statement from the end to read:

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PLR=(2.5+SSN/50.0+U*(0.5+(1.3+0.002*SSN)*YS4)
      +(1.3+0.005*SSN)*COS(PHI-PI*(1.0+B)))
      *(1.0+0.4*(1.0-V*V))*EXP(-V*YS4)
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#### E. TRIANGULAR INTERPOLATION

A communications network established in a region in which sounders are operated on two or more paths can in some cases take advantage of the additional sounder information. It has been shown (Reilly and Daehler, 1986) that MOF predictions of increased accuracy can be produced by Updating with MOFs from three sounder paths whose midpoints form a triangle enclosing the midpoint of the path for which the predictions are being made. The use of multiple sounders for acquiring Updating data decreases statistical uncertainties and allows for ionospheric tilts. It also adds a measure of redundancy, since the prediction algorithm can always fall back to a smaller number of Updating paths if data from one sounder should become unavailable.

Since a capability for triangular interpolation is considered useful for the EINMUF prediction algorithm, provision has been made for its incorporation. Subroutine TRINTERP has been included in the EINMUF source listings, and the appropriate UPMOF and UPDTG data arrays have been included. However, the coding in which EINMUF determines the applicability of multiple-sounder interpolation and calls subroutine TRINTERP has not yet been written.



#### IV. SUBPROGRAM DETAILS

##### A. SUBROUTINE EFFSSN, A subroutine for calculating the effective sunspot number.

The calling statement for subroutine EFFSSN is

CALL EFFSSN(TLAT, TLONG, RLAT, RLONG, DTG, OBSMUF, SSNEFF)

Given a path (specified by transmitter coordinates TLAT, TLONG and receiver coordinates RLAT, RLONG), the month, year, and time of day (specified by DTG), and OBSMUF (a measured value of MUF for those conditions), subroutine EFFSSN returns an effective sunspot number SSNEFF. The effective sunspot number SSNEFF is the sunspot number which makes MINIMUF85 produce the MUF value OBSMUF under the stated path and time conditions.

The MUF predicted by the MINIMUF85 model for the given path is proportional to a factor G(SSN,G0):

$$G(SSN,G0) = (SQRT(6 + [.814 SSN + 22.23] SQRT(G0))) (1.3022 - .00156 SSN)$$

(Equation 1)

The first factor on the right-hand side represents the dependence of the critical frequency foF2 on sunspot number, as determined by fitting the constants of the factor to vertical-incidence sounder data. (The factor G0 is the cosine of the effective zenith angle, the angle between the vertical and the direction of the sun.) The second factor, a part of the "obliquity"- or "M"-factor, represents the saturation of MUF for very large SSN values. Combined, these two factors describe a non-linear dependence of the MUF on sunspot number. This representation differs from that of MINIMUF 3.5, in which the linear dependence made calculation of effective sunspot number very simple.

Using Equation 1, the relationship between a measured value OBSMUF (and the corresponding effective SSNEFF) and the quantity MUF(SSN) corresponding to an arbitrary sunspot number SSN is

$$R = \frac{OBSMUF}{MUF(SSN)} = \frac{(1.3022 - .00156 SSNEFF) (SQRT(6 + [.814 SSNEFF + 22.23] SQRT(G0)))}{(1.3022 - .00156 SSN) (SQRT(6 + [.814 SSN + 22.23] SQRT(G0)))}$$

(Equation 2)

After substituting any value of SSN and calculating MUF(SSN) from MINIMUF85, the above equation can be solved for the effective sunspot number SSNEFF. Before calculating EFFSSN, however, the limits to OBSMUF and SSNEFF will be discussed.

Figure 4 illustrates the quantity  $G(\text{SSN}, G_0)$  as a function of SSN for various values of  $G_0$ . For typical conditions of SSN between 0 and 250, and  $G_0$  greater than 0.1, the function  $G$  is a generally monotonically increasing function of SSN. Outside of the typical conditions, however,  $G$  doesn't behave the same way. For large values of SSN,  $G$  becomes a decreasing function of SSN, which is physically unrealistic. This means that the MUF is double-valued, in that two values of SSN can result in the same MUF value. The effect is more pronounced for lower values of  $G_0$ ; for  $G_0 = .0001$ , function  $G$  is a monotonically decreasing function of SSN over the entire range of SSN between 0 and 250. In addition, very low values of SSN cause the function  $G_0$  to become negative, which should imply a negative MUF value. This is again a physically unrealistic condition. While the behavior of the function  $G$  over non-typical regions of its parameters is not a hinderance in application of the MINIMUM model, care must be taken in calculating the effective flux corresponding to a measured MUF value, since it can easily happen that extreme ionospheric conditions will yield MUF values well outside the normal range. It is therefore necessary to define limits to the range of the MUF used for updating, and thereby the limits to the effective flux which will be returned.

The value of sunspot number which gives the maximum value of MUF can be found by differentiating Equation 1 and setting the result equal to zero. The resulting extreme value (which turns out indeed to be a maximum) is

$$\text{SSNHI} = 260.04 - 4.914 / \text{SQRT}(G_0) \quad (\text{Equation 3})$$

To calculate SSNHI for a specified path, we first adopt a sunspot number value SSNTST (we use the value SSNTST=100) and calculate from MINIMUM85 the corresponding value CMUFTST = MUF(SSNTST). At the same time, the value  $G_0$  for the path is calculated. Then SSNHI is calculated from Equation 3, and the MUF corresponding to SSNHI, called CMUFHI, is calculated from Equation 1:

$$\text{CMUFHI} = \text{MUFTST} ( G(\text{SSNHI}, G_0) / G(\text{SSNTST}, G_0) ).$$

It is also appropriate to specify a minimum value of effective sunspot number which will be returned by the subroutine. This value has arbitrarily been set to SSNLO=-27.31, a sunspot number which happens to result in a value for  $G(\text{SSN}, G_0)$  which is independent of  $G_0$ : for SSN=-27.31 and any value of  $G_0$ ,  $G = 3.294$ . (There is no objection to a negative value of effective SSN, since the effective SSN is not a physical reality, but simply a parameter by which MUFs are calculated.) This minimum value of effective sunspot number should be low enough to provide an adequate range in effective sunspot number even under extreme solar conditions, and there is no possibility of the effective flux being so low that the quantity

$$6 + [.814 \text{ SSN} + 22.23] \text{ SQRT}(G_0)$$

in Equation (1) would become negative, resulting in an imaginary value for  $G$ .

The minimum sunspot number SSNLO corresponds to a lower MUF limit, called CMUFLO, which can be calculated from Equation 1:

$$\frac{\text{CMUFLO}}{\text{CMUFTST}} = \frac{G(\text{SSNLO}, G_0)}{G(\text{SSNTST}, G_0)} = \frac{G(-27.31, G_0)}{G(100, G_0)} = \frac{3.294}{G(100, G_0)}$$

The factor  $G(100, G_0)$  is calculated from Equation 1 and the value  $G_0$  returned when calculating CMUFTST:

$$G(100, G_0) = 1.146 * \text{SQRT}(6.0 + 103.6 * \text{SQRT}(G_0)).$$

When calculating an effective flux corresponding to the value OBSMUF, first the value SSNHI (the SSN value which gives the maximum MUF, called CMUFHI) is calculated. In the (unusual) case that  $\text{SSNHI} \leq -27.31$ , there is no meaningful range of SSN over which MINIMUMUF yields a monotonically-increasing MUF value, and it is not possible to determine an effective flux for the value OBSMUF. In this case the subroutine returns a value  $\text{SSNEFF} = -100.0$ , in response to which Subroutine EINMUF rejects Updating for this MUF determination and proceeds to the next method.

If  $\text{SSNHI} > -27.31$ , then Updating can be used for sunspot numbers in the range  $-27.31 < \text{SSN} \leq \text{SSNHI}$ , corresponding to MUF values in the range  $\text{CMUFLO} < \text{MUF} \leq \text{CMUFHI}$ . If  $\text{OBSMUF} \geq \text{CMUFHI}$ , then Subroutine EFFSSN returns an effective sunspot number  $\text{EFFSSN} = \text{SSNHI}$ . If  $\text{OBSMUF} \leq -27.31$ , then Subroutine EFFSSN returns an effective sunspot number  $\text{EFFSSN} = \text{SSNHI}$ .

Assuming that the measured value OBSMUF is within the range  $[\text{MUFLO}, \text{MUFHI}]$  (the usual case), then SSNEFF is calculated according to the following procedure:

Using the substitutions

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 1.3022 \\ B &= -0.00156 \\ C &= 6.0 \\ D &= 0.814 \\ E &= 22.23 \\ F &= \text{SQRT}(G_0) \\ G &= (A + B \text{ SSNTST}) ((\text{SQRT}(C + DF \text{ SSNLO} + EF)) R \\ H &= C + EF \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= (B^2 H + 2 ABDF) / (B^2 DF) \\ A_2 &= (2 ABH + A^2 DF) / (B^2 DF) \\ A_3 &= (A^2 H - G^2) / (B^2 DF) \end{aligned}$$

equation (2) takes the form

$$\text{SSNEFF}^3 + A_1 \text{ SSNEFF}^2 + A_2 \text{ SSNEFF} + A_3 = 0,$$

which is simply a cubic equation to be solved for SSNEFF. An efficient computer solution to this equation may be found in standard texts. (For example, see W. H. Press, et al., 1986). The number of roots to the cubic equation is determined from the quantities

$$Q = (A_1^2 - 3 A_2) / 9$$

$$R = (2 A_1^3 - 9 A_1 A_2 + 27 A_3) / 54 .$$

If  $Q^3 - R^2 \geq 0$ , then there are three real roots; in terms of the quantity  $T = \text{ARCCOS} (R / \text{SQRT}(Q^3))$ , they are

$$X_1 = -2 \text{SQRT}(Q) \cos(T/3) - A_1/3$$

$$X_2 = -2 \text{SQRT}(Q) \cos((T+2 \text{PI})/3) - A_1/3$$

$$X_3 = -2 \text{SQRT}(Q) \cos((T+4 \text{PI})/3) - A_1/3.$$

If  $Y = R^2 - Q^3 > 0$ , then there is only one real root, given by

$$X_4 = -\text{SGN}(R) [Y + Q/Y] - A_1/3,$$

where

$$Y = \text{SQRT}(R^2 - Q^3) + |R|^{1/3}.$$

Because the function  $G(\text{SSN}, G_0)$  is continuous and monotonic within the interval  $\text{SSN} = (-27.31, \text{SSNHI})$ , the proper solution to the cubic equation, in the case where there are three real solutions, can be determined simply by looking for a solution lying inside the interval  $(-27.31, \text{SSNHI})$ . In all situations so far investigated, solution  $X_1$  has yielded the appropriate solution.

#### B. SUBROUTINE DHOUR, a subroutine for decomposing the day-time group DTG

This subroutine decodes information from the character string DTG (example: 251200ZDEC89) into the following quantities required in EINMUF:

MONTH: An integer representing the month.  $1 \leq \text{MONTH} \leq 12$

MYEAR: An integer representing the year minus 1900.  $0 \leq \text{MYEAR} \leq 184$

MDOY: An integer representing the day of year.  $1 \leq \text{MDOY} \leq 366$

MDAY: An integer representing the day of month. 1 =< MDAY =< 31

MHOUR: An integer representing the integral number of hours.  
0 =< MHOUR =< 23

FHOUR: A floating-point number representing the hour.  
0.0 =< FHOUR < 24.0

REFHOUR: A floating-point number representing the number of hours elapsed since 010000ZJAN85.

Any legitimate DTG between 1 January 1985 and 31 December 2084 may be decoded with D HOUR. Years-characters (characters 11-12) between 85 and 99 are assumed to correspond to the years between 1985 and 1999, and yield values MYEAR=85 to 99. Years-characters between 00 and 84 are assumed to correspond to the years 2000-2084, and yield values MYEAR=100 to 184.

Subroutine D HOUR contains tests to verify that the DTG passed to it ;is legitimate. If any of these tests fails, the returned value of REFHOUR is -1. The following tests are performed:

- a. DTG must be a string of 12 characters;
- b. Character 7 must be an upper or lower case 'Z';
- c. Characters 8-10 must correspond to one of the months JAN, FEB, ... DEC. Any combination of upper and lower case letters is permissible.
- d. Each of the characters 1-6 and 11-12 must be one of the integers 0,1,...9.
- e. Characters 1-2 must evaluate to a number between 1 and the number of days in the month defined by characters 8-10. (Leap year is taken into account.) Characters 3-4 must evaluate to a number between 0 and 23. Characters 5-6 must evaluate to a number between 0 and 59.

C. SUBROUTINE INCDTG, a subroutine for incrementing the day-time group DTG by one hour

Subroutine EINMUF is typically called with a request for a number of MUF values for a series of times separated by one hour, with the first time specified by the day-time group DTG. Since the MUF-calculating routine requires a DTG for each MUF request, the subroutine INCDTG is useful for calculating a series of DTGs, each of which corresponds to a time exactly one hour later than the previous DTG. This seemingly simple process is complicated by the possible change in day, month, or year when moving one hour ahead. An additional complication is involved in accounting for leap years.

D. SUBROUTINE NISHLINC and DATA FILE NISHDAT.DAT, a subprogram and data file to provide access to McNish-Lincoln sunspot number predictions, and Program NISHDAT.FOR, a program for generating the data file NISHDAT.FOR

Forecasts of SSN produced by the McNish-Lincoln method are published monthly in Solar-Geophysical Data Prompt Reports Part I. Current predictions are stored in a data file NISHDAT.DAT; changes can thus be made as they become available, without having to recompile the entire EINMUF (and FAS-HF) routines.

To make generation of the data file NISHDAT.DAT as consistent and reliable as possible, the program NISHDAT.FOR is provided. After program NISHDAT.FOR is edited to include new data, a new NISHDAT.DAT file is generated by running NISHDAT.FOR. The information required for editing NISHDAT.FOR is: (a) the predicted monthly SSN values, assumed to refer to a consecutive series of months; (b) the number of months for which predictions are provided; and (c) the month and year of the first prediction.

E. SUBROUTINE MEANSSN, a subroutine for estimating the sunspot number based on the mean 11-year sunspot cycle.

The monthly mean sunspot numbers for the average solar cycle of 133 months are contained in the 133-element array SMEAN(0:132). Taking Sept 1986 as the start of cycle 22, sunspot numbers are assigned as follows:

<u>Month, Year</u>		<u>SSN</u>
Sept	1986	SMEAN(0)
Oct	1986	SMEAN(1)
.	.	.
Jan	1987	SMEAN(4)
.	.	.
Jan	1988	SMEAN(16)
.	.	.
Sept	1997	SMEAN(132)
Oct	1997	SMEAN(0)
.	.	.
Oct	2008	SMEAN(132)
Nov	2008	SMEAN(0)
.	.	.
.	.	.
.	.	.

In subroutine MEANSSN the variable FMUNCE is set to the number of months since Sept 1986, modulo 133, and the corresponding sunspot number, SSN = SMEAN(FMUNCE), is returned.

Since sunspot numbers currently (September 1989) are running about twice as high as the mean values, the MEANSSN values returned for months during the remainder of cycle 22 (through September 1997) are multiplied by a factor of 2.0 to make them more realistic.

#### F. FUNCTION AVSSN and DATA FILE SSNFILE.DAT

The purpose of Function AVSSN(DTG,DTG2,SSN2) is to return a sunspot number AVSSN which is the running average of sunspot numbers for the (up to) five consecutive days ending with the day of DTG. To store data for previous days, Function AVSSN maintains a data file SSNFILE.DAT, to which new data is added with each call to AVSSN.

The five-day running average is used to provide a smoothed sunspot number which will exhibit fluctuations in amplitude lower than those typical of the daily sunspot number values. While it is generally recognized that use of a smoothed sunspot number is appropriate in frequency-management applications, there is no definitive information on the best averaging time, although it is typically taken to be three to five days. The value used in AVSSN is five days. A different averaging time may be selected by changing the variable NUMDAYS, which is the number of consecutive days immediately preceding DTG2 which will be included in the average. Thus the three-day and five-day averages correspond, respectively, to NUMDAYS values of 2 and 4.

The data file SSNFILE.DAT contains a list of up to thirty DTG2,SSN2 pairs, each pair representing a measurement SSN2 at A time DTG2. Whenever AVSSN is called, the values DTG2,SSN2 are added to file SSNFILE.DAT (assuming SSN2 is not equal to -300). Only one DTG2,SSN2 pair is stored for any given day. If AVSSN is called with a DTG2 corresponding to a day for which data already exists in SSNFILE.DAT, then the new DTG2,SSN2 is assumed to represent more accurate data and is stored in SSNFILE.DAT in place of the existing data for that day. If SSNFILE.DAT is already filled with thirty SSN2 values when AVSSN is called, the data corresponding to the oldest DTG2 is removed, and the new DTG2,SSN2 added in its place. The size of data file SSNFILE.DAT is limited to thirty DTG2,SSN2 pairs so that it should be able to handle any anticipated operation, yet not grow endlessly with continued use.

In calling AVSSN, the value SSN2=-300 is used as a signal that no measured sunspot number is available, and that no change is to be made in SSNFILE.DAT. (The value SSN2=0 is not used for this purpose because it is a legitimate sunspot number value.) Caution should be taken that AVSSN is not called with an undefined value for SSN2, because a zero value will most likely be passed to AVSSN, and that value will be stored in SSNFILE.DAT. The five-day running average is determined by whatever sunspot number values exist in file SSNFILE.DAT for the day DTG2 and the four previous days (but there must be at

least one entry). This could result in the use of a single SSN measurement entered four days before the day of DTG2. If the data file is empty and AVSSN is called with SSN2=-300, the value AVSSN=-300 will be returned.

A call to AVSSN requires that the file SSNFILE.DAT be searched for the presence of data for DTGs corresponding to one to four days previous to the day of DTG2. This is facilitated by calculating a reference-day value (REFDAY) for DTG2, which is the number of days between 01 Jan 1985 and the day of DTG2. Similar values REFD(K) are calculated for each DTG in SSNFILE.DAT.



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## Program Listings

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SUBROUTINE E1NMF(TLAT,TLONG,RLAT,RLONG,DTG,NUMHRS,CMFLUX,SSNIN,
A DTG2, LUF,FOT,MUF,HOUR,METHOD,ERRCOD)
C
C THIS SUBROUTINE CALCULATES THE MUF WITH THE NOSC MINIMUF 85 PROGRAM
C USING A SOLAR FLUX INDEX (SUNSPOT NUMBER OR 10.7 CM FLUX) DETERMINED
C BY THE FIRST AVAILABLE METHOD IN THE FOLLOWING LIST:
C 1) EFFECTIVE SSN DETERMINED FROM RECENT MOF MEASUREMENTS ON A
C NEARBY SOUNDED PATH;
C 2) CURRENT REPORTED 10.7 CM FLUX;
C 3) CURRENT REPORTED SSN;
C 4) MCNISH-LINCOLN PREDICTED SSN;
C 5) ESTIMATE OF SSN FROM MEAN SUNSPOT CYCLE RECORDS.
C
REAL LUF(24),FOT(24),MUF(24),UPHOUR(96),CPNT(8),UPMUF(96)
INTEGER HOUR(24),ERRCOD
CHARACTER*12 DTG,PDTG,UPDTG,DTG2,OLDPDTG,AVUPDTG,METHOD(24)*1
COMMON /UPMOF/ UPMOF(96,3),UPDTG(96,3)
COMMON /GEOD/ CPNT
DATA DTR/0.017453293/, RTD/57.2957795/
ERRCOD=0
SSN=SSNIN
C Diagnostics are outputted when E1NMF is called with MUF(1)=-100.0
SING=0.0
IF (MUF(1) .EQ. -100.0) SING=1.0
C
C
C If (CMFLUX .NE. 0.0) set SSN2 = sunspot number equivalent of CMFLUX;
C else if (SSN .NE. -300) set SSN2 = SSN; else set SSN2=-300.
SSN2=SSN
IF (CMFLUX .NE. 0.0)SSN2=561.8*(SQRT(0.303+0.00356*CMFLUX)-0.728)
C
C Make sure DTG2 is a legitimate day-time group
CALL D HOUR(DTG2,MYEAR,MDOY,MONTH,MDAY,MHOUR,FHOUR,REFHOUR)
IF(REFHOUR .EQ. -1.0) SSN2=-300.0
C
C Call Function AVSSN to store DTG2,SSN2 (If SSN2 .NE. -300) in file
C SSNFILE.DAT, and calculate the average of sunspot numbers for days
C of DTG and the four previous days. If there is no data for this
C 5-day period, the result AVSSN = -300 is returned. Replace original
C SSN value with AVSSN for use in E1NMF.
C TYPE=, ' SSN=',SSN, ' DTG=',DTG, ' DTG2=',DTG2, ' SSN2=',SSN2
C SSN=AVSSN(DTG,DTG2,SSN2)
C TYPE=, ' SSN=',SSN, ' DTG=',DTG, ' DTG2=',DTG2, ' SSN2=',SSN2
C
C
C CALL D HOUR(DTG,MYEAR,MDOY,MONTH,MDAY,MHOUR,FHOUR,REFHOUR)
C If DTG is illegal (REFHOUR=-1), RETURN with error message
IF (REFHOUR .EQ. -1.0) THEN
DO 90 K=1,NUMHRS
LUF(K)=0.0
FOT(K)=0.0
90 MUF(K)=0.0
ERRCOD=1
GOTO 2000
END IF
C Set up the HOURS for which MUFs are requested.
DO 100 K=1,NUMHRS
HOUR(K)=MHOUR-1+K
IF (HOUR(K) .GT. 23) HOUR(K)=HOUR(K)-24
100 CONTINUE
C PDTG=present DTG=DTG of 1st MUF request
PDTG=DTG
C
C
C Diagnostics are outputted when E1NMF is called with MUF(1)=-100.0
IF (SING .NE. 1.0) GOTO 105
DO 15 K=1,96
IF (UPDTG(K,1) .LE. ' ') GOTO 17
CALL D HOUR(UPDTG(K,1),MYEAR,MDOY,MONTH,MDAY,MHOUR,FHOUR,

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      A   UPHOUR(K) )
15 TYPE 16, K,UPDTG(K,1),UPHOUR(K),UPMOF(K,1)
16 FORMAT(' K=',12,' UPDTG=',A12,' UPHOUR=',F9.3,' UPMOF='
      A   F6.2)
17 TYPE*, ' NUMUPS=',K-1
C
C
C
C   Following starts DO loop for the NUMHRS required MUFs
105 DO 1000 K=1,NUMHRS
C   Determine PDTG for this MUF request (If not the first one)
      IF(K .GT. 1) CALL INCDTG(OLDPDTG,PDTG)
      OLDPDTG=PDTG
C
C   Start Updating procedure
C   Mult. updating MOFs by .75 to make them comparable with MINIMUM MUFs
C   Determine reference hour (UPHOUR) for each updating datum
      DO 110 LK=1,96
          IF (UPDTG(LK,1).LE.' ') GOTO 111
          CALL DHOUR(UPDTG(LK,1),MYEAR,MDOY,MONTH,MDAY,MHOUR,FHOUR
      A   ,UPHOUR(LK))
C   110   UPMUF(LK)=0.75*UPMOF(LK,1)
      110   UPMUF(LK)=UPMOF(LK,1)
C   FACTOR OF 0.75 REMOVED 15 FEB 90, BY MD.
      111 NUMUPS=LK-1
C
C   If directed by METHOD value, start with requested method
      IF (METHOD(K) .EQ. 'm') GOTO 301
      IF (METHOD(K) .EQ. 'c') GOTO 401
      IF (METHOD(K) .EQ. 's') GOTO 501
      IF (METHOD(K) .EQ. 'l') GOTO 601
      IF (METHOD(K) .EQ. 'e') GOTO 701
      IF (METHOD(K) .EQ. 'q') GOTO 550
C
      301 IF (NUMUPS .EQ. 0) GOTO 401
C   Search for acceptable Updating data
      CALL DHOUR(PDTG,MYEAR,MDOY,MONTH,MDAY,MHOUR,FHOUR,PDHR)
      AVUPMUF=0.0
      TIMEDIF=0.0
      NPTS=0
      DO 220 L1=1,NUMUPS
C   Ignore update value if update time comes before time of requested MUF
C   To permit Updating with UPMOF measurements made AFTER the time for
C   which the MUF is being predicted, remove statement 205.
      205   IF (PDHR-UPHOUR(L1) .LT. 0.0) GOTO 220
C   Sum measured MUF and time values if time is within limits
C   NPTS is number of data points which meet specs
          IF (PDHR-UPHOUR(L1) .GT. 2.1) GOTO 230
          AVUPMUF=AVUPMUF+UPMUF(L1)
          TIMEDIF=TIMEDIF+PDHR-UPHOUR(L1)
          NPTS=NPTS+1
      220   CONTINUE
      230   CONTINUE
          IF (NPTS .GE. 1) GOTO 399
          DO 240 L2=L1,NUMUPS
              IF (PDHR-UPHOUR(L2) .GT. 3.1) GOTO 250
              AVUPMUF=AVUPMUF+UPMUF(L2)
              TIMEDIF=TIMEDIF+PDHR-UPHOUR(L2)
      240   NPTS=NPTS+1
          GOTO 399
      250   IF (NPTS .GE. 1) GOTO 399
          DO 260 L3=L2,NUMUPS
              IF (PDHR-UPHOUR(L3) .GT. 4.1) GOTO 270
              AVUPMUF=AVUPMUF+UPMUF(L3)
              TIMEDIF=TIMEDIF+PDHR-UPHOUR(L3)
      260   NPTS=NPTS+1
          GOTO 399
      270   IF (NPTS .GE. 1) GOTO 399
          DO 280 L4=L3,NUMUPS
              IF (PDHR-UPHOUR(L4) .GT. 5.1) GOTO 290

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      AVUPMUF=AVUPMUF+UPMUF(L4)
      TIMEDIF=TIMEDIF+PDHR-UPHOUR(L4)
280   NPTS=NPTS+1
      GOTO 399
290   IF (NPTS .GE. 1) GOTO 399
      DO 300 L5=L4,NUMUPS
        IF (PDHR-UPHOUR(L5) .GT. 6.1) GOTO 310
        AVUPMUF=AVUPMUF+UPMUF(L5)
        TIMEDIF=TIMEDIF+PDHR-UPHOUR(L5)
300   NPTS=NPTS+1
      GOTO 399
310   IF (NPTS .GE. 1) GOTO 399
      DO 320 L6=L5,NUMUPS
        IF (PDHR-UPHOUR(L6) .GT. 7.1) GOTO 330
        AVUPMUF=AVUPMUF+UPMUF(L6)
        TIMEDIF=TIMEDIF+PDHR-UPHOUR(L6)
320   NPTS=NPTS+1
      GOTO 399
330   IF (NPTS .GE. 1) GOTO 399
      DO 375 L7=L6,NUMUPS
        IF (PDHR-UPHOUR(L7) .GT. 25.1) GOTO 375
        IF (PDHR-UPHOUR(L7) .LT. 18.9) GOTO 375
        AVUPMUF=AVUPMUF+UPMUF(L7)
        TIMEDIF=TIMEDIF+PDHR-UPHOUR(L7)
        NPTS=NPTS+1
375   CONTINUE
C
      IF (NPTS .EQ. 0) GOTO 401
C
C   UPDATING CRITERIA MET.  CALCULATE UPDATED MUF
399  AVUPMUF=AVUPMUF/NPTS
      AVUPHR=FHOUR-TIMEDIF/NPTS
      DO 289 KL=1,2
289  IF(AVUPHR .LT. 0.0) AVUPHR=AVUPHR+24.0
      IR=AVUPHR
      IM=(AVUPHR-IR)*60.0
C
C   Note:  AVUPDTG (=average DTG of Updating values) is defined
C   by the average HOUR of the updating values and the DAY for which
C   the MUF is being requested.  This avoids the possibility of
C   calculating the MUF in one month with an effective flux calculated
C   for the previous month.
      AVUPDTG=PDTG(1:2)//CHAR(48+IR/10)//CHAR(48+IR-10*(IR/10))
      A //CHAR(48+IM/10)//CHAR(48+IM-10*(IM/10))//PDTG(7:12)
      OBSMUF=AVUPMUF
      CALL EFFSSN(TLAT,TLONG,RLAT,RLONG,AVUPDTG,OBSMUF,SSNEFF)
C   On return from EFFSSN, GZERO is returned in OBSMUF, as diagnostic
      EFFGZERO=OBSMUF
C
C
C
C   Diagnostics are outputted when EINMUF is called with MUF(1)=-100.0
      IF (SING .NE. 1.0) GOTO 393
      TYPE 371,K,PDTG,PDHR,NPTS,TIMEDIF/NPTS
      TYPE 372, AVUPDTG,AVUPMUF,SSNEFF,EFFGZERO
371  FORMAT(' K=',12,' PDTG=',A12,' PDHR=',F9.2,' NPTS=',12,
A     ' AVTIMEDIF=',F6.3)
372  FORMAT(' AVUPDTG=',A12,' AVUPMUF=',F8.4,' SSNEFF=',F9.3,
A     ' GO=',F12.9)
393  CONTINUE
C
C
C
C   If effective SSN couldn't be calculated, don't Update
      IF(SSNEFF .EQ. -100.0) THEN
        ERRCOD=2
        GOTO 401
      END IF
      CALL MUF85MD(TLAT,TLONG,RLAT,RLONG,PDTG,SSNEFF,MUF(K),GZERO)
      METHOD(K)='M'

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CHARACTER*36 MON$, MN$*9, DTG*12
REAL CMUFTST,GZERO,CPNT(8)
DATA A/1.3022/,B/-0.00156/,C/6.0/,D/0.814/,E/22.23/,
A MN$/'123456789'/,MON$/'JANFEBMARAPRMAYJUNJULAUAGSEPOCTNOVDEC'/,
B PI/3.1415926536/
SSNTST=100.0
CALL MUF85MD(TLAT,TLONG,RLAT,RLONG,DTG,SSNTST,CMUFTST,GZERO)
F=SQRT(GZERO)
H=C+E*F
RATIO=OBSMUF/CMUFTST
GG=(A+B*SSNTST)*SQRT(C+(D*SSNTST+E)*F)
G=RATIO*GG
CMUFLO=(3.294*CMUFTST)/GG
C Calculate maximum SSN and MUF allowed by MINIMUMUF85 for this path
SSNHI=260.0415-4.914/SQRT(GZERO)
CMUFHI=CMUFTST*(A+B*SSNHI)*(SQRT(C+(D*SSNHI+E)*SQRT(GZERO)))/GG
C
C SSNEFF can't be calculated if SSNHI<=-27.31
IF (SSNHI.LE.-27.31) THEN
    SSNEFF=-100.0
    GOTO 100
END IF
C
C Limit SSNEFF to the range [-27.31,SSNHI]
IF (OBSMUF.GE.CMUFTST) THEN
    SSNEFF=SSNHI
    GO TO 100
ELSE IF (OBSMUF.LE.CMUFTST) THEN
    SSNEFF=-27.31
    GO TO 100
END IF
C Solve cubic equation for SSNEFF
A1=H/(F*D)+2.0*A/B
A2=(2.0*A*H)/(B*D*F)+(A*A)/(B*B)
A3=(A*A*H-G*G)/(B*B*D*F)
QQ=(A1*A1-3.0*A2)/9.0
RR=2.0*(A1/54.0)*A1*A1-9.0*A1*(A2/54.0)+27.0*(A3/54.0)
IF (QQ*QQ*QQ-RR*RR.GE. 0.0) THEN
    NUMROOTS=3
    THETA=ACOS(RR/(SQRT(QQ)**3))
    QIE=SQRT(QQ)
    X1=-2.0*QIE*COS(THETA/3.0)-A1/3.0
    X2=-2.0*QIE*COS((THETA+2.0*PI)/3.0)-A1/3.0
    X3=-2.0*QIE*COS((THETA+4.0*PI)/3.0)-A1/3.0
ELSE
    NUMROOTS=1
    X1=(SQRT(RR*RR-QQ*QQ*QQ)+ABS(RR))*(1.0/3.0)
    A
    X1=X1/((SQRT(RR*RR-QQ*QQ*QQ)+ABS(RR))*(1.0/3.0))
    X1=SIGN(1.0,RR)*X1-A1/3.0
END IF
SSNEFF=X1
C GZERO value is returned in variable OBSMUF (a diagnostic)
100 OBSMUF=GZERO
RETURN
END
C
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C
SUBROUTINE NISHLINC(DTG,SSN,KERR)
C This subroutine accepts day-time group DTG and returns a sunspot
C number prediction for the month and year corresponding to DTG as
C extrapolated from recent data by the McNISH-Lincoln method.
C Data are taken from the file NISHDAT.DAT. If file NISHDAT.DAT
C doesn't contain an entry for the specified DTG, the value
C SSN=-999.0 is returned.
C
CHARACTER*12,DTG,MN$*36
INTEGER PRED(100),DAT1MONTH,DAT1YEAR,NUMMONTHS
OPEN(UNIT=1,FILE='NISHDAT.DAT',STATUS='OLD')
READ(1,200)NUMMONTHS,DAT1MONTH,DAT1YEAR

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200 FORMAT(10I5)
KERR=0
READ(1,200)(PRED(J),J=1,NUMMONTHS)
CLOSE(UNIT=1)
DATA MN$/'123456789'/
CALL DHOUR(DTG,MYEAR,MDOY,MONTH,MDAY,MHOUR,FHOUR,REFHOUR)
YEAR=10*INDEX(MN$,DTG(11:11))+INDEX(MN$,DTG(12:12))+1900
IF (YEAR .LT. 1985) YEAR=YEAR+100
C MONTHDIFF= time interval in months between 1st data month and
C month for which SSN is required.
MONTHDIFF=12*(YEAR-DAT1YEAR)+MONTH-DAT1MONTH
IF(MONTHDIFF .LT. 0.0 .OR. MONTHDIFF .GT. NUMMONTHS-1) THEN
KERR=2
ELSE
SSN=PRED(MONTHDIFF+1)
END IF
RETURN
END

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C
SUBROUTINE DHOUR(DTG,MYEAR,MDOY,MONTH,MDAY,MHOUR,FHOUR,REFHOUR)
C INPUT: DTG (EXAMPLE: 251200ZDEC89). RETURNS MYEAR (=YEAR-1900),
C MDOY (=DAY OF YEAR), MONTH, MDAY(=DAY OF MONTH), MHOUR (= INTEGRAL
C PART OF HOUR), FHOUR(HOUR, INCLUDING DECIMAL PORTION), AND
C REFHOUR(= * OF HOURS SINCE 010000ZJAN85)
C
CHARACTER*12 DTG, MON$*36,N$*10
INTEGER IDYS(13)
C IDYS(MONTH)=number of days in current year preceding the first
C day of MONTH, assuming no leap year
DATA IDYS/0,31,59,90,120,151,181,212,243,273,304,334,365/,
A N$/'0123456789'/, MON$/'JANFEBMARAPRMAYJUNJULAU GSEP OCTNOVDEC'/
C A return with REFHOUR=-1 means an illegal DTG was found
REFHOUR=-1.0
C DTG must have 12 characters
IF (LEN(DTG) .NE. 12) GOTO 100
C Change alpha characters to upper case
DO 10 K=7,10
IF(ICHAR(DTG(K:K)) .GT. 90) DTG=DTG(1:K-1)//
A CHAR(ICHAR(DTG(K:K))-32)//DTG(K+1:12)
10 CONTINUE
C Make sure 1st 6 and last 2 characters are digits, 0-9
DO 20 K=1,6
20 IF (INDEX(N$,DTG(K:K)) .EQ. 0) GOTO 100
DO 30 K=11,12
30 IF (INDEX(N$,DTG(K:K)) .EQ. 0) GOTO 100
C End of check for legal DTG
MONTH=(INDEX(MON$,DTG(8:10))+2)/3
MDAY= 10*(INDEX(N$,DTG(1:1))-1)+INDEX(N$,DTG(2:2))-1
MDOY=IDYS(MONTH)+MDAY
MHOUR=10*(INDEX(N$,DTG(3:3))-1)+INDEX(N$,DTG(4:4))-1
MIN= 10*(INDEX(N$,DTG(5:5))-1)+INDEX(N$,DTG(6:6))-1
FHOUR=MHOUR+MIN/60.0
MYEAR=10*(INDEX(N$,DTG(11:11))-1)+INDEX(N$,DTG(12:12))-1
C MYEAR.LT.85 => year is between 2000 and 2084
IF(MYEAR.LT.85) MYEAR=MYEAR+100
C Count * of leap hours since 010000ZJAN85
LEAPHRS=24*((MYEAR-85)/4)
DAYSINM=IDYS(MONTH+1)-IDYS(MONTH)
IF(MYEAR-4*(MYEAR/4) .EQ. 0.) THEN
IF(MONTH .GE. 3) MDOY=MDOY+1
IF(MONTH .GE. 3) LEAPHRS=LEAPHRS+24
IF(MONTH .EQ. 2) DAYSINM=29
END IF
C Declare DTG illegal if mins, hours, or days are unreal
IF (MIN .GT. 59 .OR. FHOUR .GE. 24.0 .OR. MDAY .GT. DAYSINM
A .OR. DTG(7:7) .NE. 'Z') GOTO 100
REFHOUR=8760*(MYEAR-85)+24*(IDYS(MONTH)+MDAY-1)+FHOUR+LEAPHRS

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100 RETURN
END

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C
SUBROUTINE INCDTG(DTG1,DTG2)
C Input: DTG1. Returns DTG2, which is 1 hour later than DTG1.
CHARACTER*12 DTG1,DTG2,MN$*9,MON$*36
INTEGER MDYS(12)
DATA MN$/'123456789'/.MDYS/31,28,31,30,31,30,31,31,30,31,30,31/,
A MON$/'JANFEBMARAPR MAYJUNJULAUGSEPOCTNOVDEC'/
MHOUR=10*INDEX(MN$,DTG1(3:3))+INDEX(MN$,DTG1(4:4))+1
MDYS(2)=28
IF (MHOUR .EQ. 24) THEN
    MHOUR=0
    MDAY=10*INDEX(MN$,DTG1(1:1))+INDEX(MN$,DTG1(2:2))+1
    MYEAR=10*INDEX(MN$,DTG1(11:11))+INDEX(MN$,DTG1(12:12))
    MONTH=(INDEX(MON$,DTG1(8:10))+2)/3
    IF (MYEAR-4*(MYEAR/4) .EQ. 0) MDYS(2)=29
    IF (MDAY .GT. MDYS(MONTH)) THEN
        MDAY=1
        MONTH=MONTH+1
        IF (MONTH .EQ. 13) THEN
            MONTH=1
            MYEAR=MYEAR+1
            IF (MYEAR .EQ. 100) MYEAR=0
        END IF
    END IF
    DTG2=CHAR(48+MDAY/10)//CHAR(48+MDAY-10*(MDAY/10))
A //CHAR(48+MHOUR/10)//CHAR(48+MHOUR-10*(MHOUR/10))
B //DTG1(5:7)//MON$(3*MONTH-2:3*MONTH)
C //CHAR(48+MYEAR/10)//CHAR(48+MYEAR-10*(MYEAR/10))
ELSE
    DTG2=DTG1(1:2)//CHAR(48+MHOUR/10)//CHAR(48+MHOUR-10*
A (MHOUR/10))//DTG1(5:12)
END IF
RETURN
END

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C
SUBROUTINE MEANSSN(MONTH,MYEAR,SSN)
C Accepts MONTH (=1 to 12) and MYEAR (=YEAR-1900). Returns SSN
C based on mean 11-year sunspot cycle with minimum on Sep 1986.
C Valid for months Sep 1986 through Dec 2085 (MONTH=9,MYEAR=86
C through MONTH=12,MYEAR=185)
DIMENSION SMEAN(0:132)
C Array SMEAN contains the 133 SSN values for the 133-month cycle.
C Array values go from 0 to 132 to facilitate calculation of months
C since beginning of cycle modulo 133.
DATA SMEAN /5.5,5.5,6.6,5.7,8.9,10,11,12,14,16,20,21,24,26.5,31,
A 34,38,42,45,48,53.5,57,60,63,67.5,70,74.5,78,80,83.5,85.5,88,92,
B 94,96.5,97.5,100,101,102,103,103.5,104,104.5,104.5,105,105,105,
C 104.5,104.5,104,104,103.5,103,102,101.5,100.5,99.5,98.5,98,97,
D 96,95,93,91.5,89,87,85,83,81,78.5,76,74,70.5,68.5,66.5,65,62,60,
E 59,56.5,55,53,52,51,49,48,47.8,45,44,43,41.5,40,38,37,35.5,34,
F 33,32,30.5,29.5,28.5,27,26,25,24,23.5,22.5,22,20.5,20,19,18,
G 17.5,17,16,15,14,13.5,13,12.5,12,11,11,10,10,9.8,9.6,9.4,9.2,9/
FMONATS=3.0+12.0*(MYEAR-87.0)+MONTH
SSN=0.0
IF(FMONATS .LT. 0.0 .OR. FMONATS .GT. 1191.0) GOTO 100
FMUNCE=AMOD(FMONATS,133.0)
SSN=SMEAN(FMUNCE)
C SSNs in current cycle are running about twice the mean values
IF(FMONATS .LE. 132) SSN=2.0*SSN
100 RETURN
END

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C      FUNCTION AVSSN(DTG,DTG2,SSN2)
C
C      This function manages a file SSNFILE.DAT which contains a list of
C      up to 30 day-time groups DTGF(K) and corresponding sunspot numbers
C      SSNF(K) (no more than one pair of values per day) and returns
C      a value which is the average of all SSNFs for the day of DTG and
C      the previous NUMDAYS days. NUMDAYS is typically either 2 or 4,
C      corresponding respectively to a "3-day average" or a "5-day average"
C      sunspot number. When called, function AVSSN adds DTG2, SSN2 to file
C      SSNFILE.DAT unless SSN2=-300 (which is a signal that DTG2, SSN2 are
C      not valid data), or unless there are already 30 values stored in
C      SSNFILE.DAT with times more recent than DTG2. It is assumed that
C      either DTG2, SSN2 represent a valid sounder measurement, or that
C      SSN2=-300.0.
C
C      Function AVSSN calls subroutine DHOURL.
C
C      CHARACTER*12 DTG,DTG2,DTGF(30)
C      DIMENSION SSNF(30)
C      INTEGER REFDAY, REFD2, REFD(30)
C      NUMDAYS=4
C
C      Read in SSN data from SSNFILE.DAT
C      OPEN(UNIT=2,FILE='SSNFILE.DAT',STATUS='UNKNOWN')
C      READ(2,100,END=101) ((DTGF(J),SSNF(J)),J=1,30)
100  FORMAT(1X,A12,F8.3)
101  CONTINUE
C      TYPE 120,(DTGF(KJ),KJ=1,30)
C      TYPE 121,(SSNF(KJ),KJ=1,30)
120  FORMAT(1X,6A13)
121  FORMAT(1X,6F13.3)
150  NUMDTGS=J-1
C      IF (NUMDTGS .LT. 0) NUMDTGS=0
C
C      Establish REFDAY=number of days between 1 Jan 1985 and DTG
C      CALL DHOURL(DTG,MYEAR,MDOY,MONTH,MDAY,MHOUR,FHOUR,REFHOUR)
C      REFDAY=365*(MYEAR-85)+MDOY+(MYEAR-85)/4
C      Establish REFD(K)=number of days between 1 Jan 1985 and DTGF(K)
C      DO 270 K=1,NUMDTGS
C      CALL DHOURL(DTGF(K),MYEAR,MDOY,MONTH,MDAY,MHOUR,FHOUR,REFHOUR)
270  REFD(K)=365*(MYEAR-85)+MDOY+(MYEAR-85)/4
C
C      If inputted SSN2,DTG2 aren't valid, don't enter them into SSNFILE.DAT
C      IF (SSN2 .EQ. -300.0) GOTO 595
C
C      Since DTG2, SSN2 represent valid data, store them in SSNFILE.DAT
C
C      Find reference day (REFD2) for DTG2
C      CALL DHOURL(DTG2,MYEAR,MDOY,MONTH,MDAY,MHOUR,FHOUR,REFHOUR)
C      REFD2=365*(MYEAR-85)+MDOY+(MYEAR-85)/4
C
C      If data file was empty, it now will have one entry
C      IF (NUMDTGS .EQ. 0) THEN
C      DTGF(1)=DTG2
C      SSNF(1)=SSN2
C      REFD(1)=REFD2
C      NUMDTGS=1
C      GOTO 500
C      END IF
C
C      SSNFILE.DAT wasn't empty.
C      If SSNFILE.DAT already has a value for current day, change value to
C      current value, if different from earlier value; also change DTGF(K),
C      since time of day might be different, even if day is the same.
C      DO 285 K=1,NUMDTGS
C      IF (REFD2 .EQ. REFD(K)) THEN
C      SSNF(K)=SSN2
C      DTGF(K)=DTG2
C      REFD(K)=REFD2

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        GOTO 500
    END IF
285 CONTINUE
C
C SSNFILE.DAT doesn't have an entry for the day of DTG2, SSN2
C
C If SSNFILE.DAT isn't full, simply add new entry
    IF (NUMDTGS .LT. 30) THEN
        DTGF(NUMDTGS+1)=DTG2
        SSNF(NUMDTGS+1)=SSN2
        REFD(NUMDTGS+1)=REFD2
        NUMDTGS=NUMDTGS+1
        GOTO 500
    END IF
C
C List was full; find oldest data and replace it with DTG2, SSN2
    MINDAY=10000
    DO 287 K=1,30
        IF (MINDAY .GT. REFD(K)) THEN
            MINDAY=REFD(K)
            KMIN=K
        END IF
    287 CONTINUE
    DTGF(KMIN)=DTG2
    SSNF(KMIN)=SSN2
    REFD(KMIN)=REFD2
C
C Rewrite SSN data to file SSNFILE.DAT
500 REWIND 2
    WRITE(2,100) ((DTGF(J),SSNF(J)),J=1,NUMDTGS)
C
C     TYPE 120,(DTGF(KJ),KJ=1,30)
C     TYPE 121,(SSNF(KJ),KJ=1,30)
C     TYPE 122,(REFD(KJ),KJ=1,30)
122 FORMAT(1X,10I7)
C
C     TYPE*, ' REFDAY=',REFDAY, ' REFD2=',REFD2, ' NUMDTGS=',NUMDTGS
595 CONTINUE
C
C If there's no SSN data, RETURN an invalid sunspot number
    AVSSN=-300.0
    IF (NUMDTGS .EQ. 0) GOTO 1000
C
C Calculate average of SSNs for which the respective DTGs are between
C zero and NUMDTGS in advance of REFDAY, the reference day
C corresponding to DTG.
    SUM=0.0
    NPTS=0
    DO 600 K=1,NUMDTGS
        IF (REFDAY-REFD(K) .GE. 0 .AND. REFDAY-REFD(K) .LE. NUMDTGS) THEN
            SUM=SUM+SSNF(K)
            NPTS=NPTS+1
        END IF
    600 CONTINUE
    IF (NPTS .EQ. 0) GOTO 1000
    AVSSN=SUM/NPTS
C
1000 CLOSE(2,STATUS='KEEP')
C
C     TYPE 1001,NUMDTGS,KMIN,DTGF(KMIN),MINDAY
1001 FORMAT(' NUMDTGS=',I3,' KMIN=',I3,' DTGF(KMIN)=',A12
A
A     MINDAY=',I6)
    RETURN
    END
C
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C
C SUBROUTINE TRINTERP(TLAT,TLON,RLAT,RLON,DTG,UPMOF
A ,UPDTG,UPLAT,UPTLON,UPRLAT,UPRLON,TMUF,TSSNEFF)
C
C This subroutine
C A) accepts Updating data UPMOF from three sounder paths;
C B) calculates an effective solar 10.7-cm flux for each sounder

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C      midpath point;
C      C) produces an interpolated effective flux for the
C      communications path (the center of which is assumed to lie
C      inside the triangle defined by the three sounder path
C      midpoints);
C      D) converts the effective flux to an effective sunspot number
C      TSSNEFF for the communications path;
C      E) Uses MINIMUMF85 to calculate TMUF, the MUF on the communications
C      path;
C      F) RETURNS both TMUF and TSSNEFF.
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      DIMENSION UMOF(3),UPTLAT(3),UPTLON(3),UPRLAT(3),UPRLON(3)
      A ,SPATH(8),CPLAT(3),CPLON(3),FLUX(3)
      CHARACTER*12 DTG, UPDTG(3)

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C      Calculate sounder path midpoints
C      CPLAT, CPLON = latitude and west longitude of control path
C      (i. e., sounder path) midpoints
C      DO 120 J=1,3
C      CALL PATH(UPTLAT(J),UPTLON(J),UPRLAT(J),UPRLON(J),SPATH)
C      CPLAT(J)=SPATH(2)
C      CPLON(J)=SPATH(3)
120 CONTINUE

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C      Calculate effective 10.7-cm fluxes corresponding to sounder
C      MUF measurements
C      DO 130 J=1,3
C      CALL EFFSSN(UPTLAT(J),UPTLON(J),UPRLAT(J),UPRLON(J),UPDTG,
C      A UMOF(J),SSNEFF)
C      FLUX(J)=63.7+0.728*SSNEFF+8.9E-4*SSNEFF*SSNEFF
130 CONTINUE

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C      Calculate communications path midpoint
C      CALL PATH(TLAT,TLON,RLAT,RLON,SPATH)
C      COMMLAT=SPATH(2)
C      COMMLON=SPATH(3)

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C      Calculate the 3 coefficients of the linear interpolation formula
C      B= (FLUX(2)-FLUX(3))*(CPLAT(1)-CPLAT(2))
C      B=B-(FLUX(1)-FLUX(2))*(CPLAT(2)-CPLAT(3))
C      BDIV= (CPLON(2)-CPLON(3))*(CPLAT(1)-CPLAT(2))
C      BDIV=BDIV-(CPLON(1)-CPLON(2))*(CPLAT(2)-CPLAT(3))
C      B=B/BDIV
C      A=(FLUX(2)-FLUX(3)-B*(CPLON(2)-CPLON(3)))/(CPLAT(2)-CPLAT(3))
C      D=FLUX(1)-A*CPLAT(1)-B*CPLON(1)

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C      Calculate effective flux for the communications path midpoint, and
C      convert to an effective sunspot number
C      EFFLUX=A*COMMLAT+B*COMMLON+D
C      TEFFSSN=561.8*(SQRT(0.303+0.00356*EFFLUX))-0.728)

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C      Calculate MUF for the communications path, using eff. sunspot number
C      CALL MUF85MD(TLAT,TLON,RLAT,RLON,DTG,TEFFSSN,TMUF,GZERO)
C      RETURN
C      END

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      SUBROUTINE MUF85MD(TLAT,TLON,RLAT,RLON,DTG,SSN,CMUF,GZERO)
C      This Version written as a slightly-condensed Version of MUF85.
C

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      INTEGER ITIME(6)
      REAL CPNT(8),K5,L0,LMT,K8,K9,M9,MLAT,SN(6),CN(6)
      CHARACTER*12,DTG
      COMMON /SUN/ SLAT,SLON
      COMMON /GEOD/ CPNT
C

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      DATA PI/3.14159265/, TWOPI/6.2831853/, HALFPI/1.57079632/,
      * DTR/0.017453293/, RTD/57.2957795/, RO/6371./
      DATA S8/250.0/, FM1/0.728/, FMS/0.52998/

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      *      FM2/0.00356/, FM3/63.75/, FM4/0.00178/
C
      CALL DHOURL(DTG,MYEAR,MDOY,ITIME(1),ITIME(2),ITIME(3),HOUR,REFHOUR)
      ITIME(4)=60.0*(HOUR-ITIME(3))
      T5= HOUR
      CMUF = 100.0
      YM = 100.0
C
C A3 = 6th order Fourier expansion in terms of Month
      DO 500 N = 1,6
        ARG=PI*FLOAT(2*N)*ITIME(1)/12.0
        SN(N)=SIN(ARG)
        CN(N)=COS(ARG)
      500 CONTINUE
      A3 = .9925+.011*SN(1)+.087*CN(1)-.043*SN(2)+.003*CN(2)-.013*SN(3)
      A  - .022*CN(3)+.003*SN(4)+.005*SN(5)+.018*CN(6)
C
C A1,A2 are linear functions of SSN
      A1 = .814*SSN+22.23
      A2 = 1.3022-.00156*SSN
C
C * OF HOPS: 1 HOP FOR RANGE <= 4000 KM (.6278 RADIANS), 2 HOPS OTHERWISE
      CALL PATH (TLAT,TLON,RLAT,RLON,CPNT)
      G1 = CPNT(1)
      AZIM = CPNT(8)
      AK6 = 1.59*CPNT(1)
      IF (AK6 .LT. 1.0)AK6=1.0
      K5 = 1.0/AK6
      IF (K5 .NE. 1.0)K5=.5
      KHOP = INT(CPNT(1)/.62784)+1
      KKHOP = KHOP
      IF (CPNT(1) .GT. 0.94174)KKHOP=2*KHOP-1
C
C Loop through all hops
      DO 160 K1 = 1,KKHOP
C
C PL = Range (in radians) to Control Point (CP)
C CP = Midpoint for 1-hop; 2000Km from each end for 2-hops
      IF (KHOP .EQ. 1)PL=G1/2.0
      IF (KHOP .EQ. 2 .AND. K1 .EQ. 1)PL=0.31392
      IF (KHOP .EQ. 2 .AND. K1 .EQ. 2)PL=G1-0.31392
      IF (CPNT(1) .GT. .94174) THEN
        XK1 = K1
        AK1 = XK1/(2.0*KHOP)
      ELSE
        AK1 = 1.0/(2.0*AK6)+FLOAT(K1-1)*(.9999-1.0/AK6)
      END IF
      PL = G1*AK1
C
C LO,WO = Latitude and West Longitude of Control Point
      600 CALL RAZGC(RLAT,RLON,PL,AZIM,LO,WO)
C
C LMT = Local mean time at Control Point, in hours
      IF (WO .GE. 0.0) THEN
        LMT = WO
      ELSE
        LMT = WO+TWOP1
      END IF
      LMT = T5-LMT*RTD/15.0
      IF (LMT .LT. 0.0) THEN
        LMT = LMT+24.0
      ELSE IF (LMT .GE. 24.0) THEN
        LMT = LMT-24.0
      END IF
C
C MLAT = Geomagnetic Latitude at Control Point
      SMG = 0.9792*SIN(LO)+0.2028*COS(LO)*COS(WO-1.2043)
      SMG = AMAX1(AMIN1(SMG,1.0),-1.0)
      MLAT = ASIN(SMG)
C

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C GYRO = Gyro Frequency (=0 for LAT=>55 degrees)
  IF (ABS(MLAT) .LT. 0.95993) THEN
    GYRO = 0.0
  ELSE
    GYRO = 0.3789*SQRT(1.0+3.0*SMG*SMG)-0.5
  END IF

C
C Y1=2*PI*DATE/365.25; Y2=-Solar Declination; k8=Time of local noon
Y1 = 0.0172*(10.0+FLOAT(1TIME(1)-1)*30.4+1TIME(2))
Y2 = 0.409*COS(Y1)
K8 = 3.82*W0+12.0+0.13*(SIN(Y1)+1.2*SIN(2.0*Y1))
IF (K8 .GT. 24.0) THEN
  K8 = K8 -24.0
ELSE IF (K8 .LE. 0.0) THEN
  K8 = K8+24.0
END IF

C
C M9 = M-Factor = MUF/FOF2C
M9 = AMIN1(2.5*G1*K5, HALFPI)
M9 = SIN(M9)
M9 = 1.0+2.5*M9*SQRT(M9)

C
C K9=length of daylight; t=time of sunrise; t4=time of sunset
IF (COS(LO+Y2) .GT. -0.26) GOTO 100
C NO DAYLIGHT on PATH at ANY TIME DURING the DAY
GO = 0.0
K9 = 0.0
A4=1.0
GOTO 140
100 CONTINUE

C
K9 = (-0.26+SIN(Y2)*SIN(LO))/(COS(Y2)*COS(LO)+1.0E-3)
K9 = AMAX1(AMIN1(K9,1.0),-1.0)
K9 = 12.0-ASIN(K9)*7.6394
T = K8-K9/2.0
IF (T .LT. 0.0)T=T+24.0
T4 = K8+K9/2.0
IF (T4 .GT. 24.0)T4=T4-24.0
CO = ABS(COS(LO+Y2))
T9 = 9.7*(AMAX1(CO,.1))**9.6
T9 = AMAX1(T9,0.1)
T6 = T5
IF ((T4 .LT. T .AND. (T5-T4)*(T-T5) .GT. 0.0) .OR.
* (T4 .GE. T .AND. (T5-T)*(T4-T5) .LE. 0.0)) GOTO 120

C
C DAY TIME at CONTROL POINT
IF (T .GT. T5)T6=T6+24.0

C
C LOCAL TIME CONVERSION
C T5 is LOCAL TIME; W0 is LONGITUDE in RADIANS
Z = W0*(180.0/3.14159265)

C
C LOCAL TIME DEPENDENT FACTOR for M-FACTOR
HRLCL = T5-Z/15.0
IF (HRLCL .GE. 24.0)HRLCL=HRLCL-24.0
IF (HRLCL .LT. 0.0)HRLCL=HRLCL+24.0
A4 = 1.11-.01*HRLCL
G9 = PI*(T6-T)/K9
G8 = PI*T9/K9
U = (T-T6)/T9
U = AMIN1(AMAX1(U,-87.0),+87.0)
U1 = -K9/T9
U1 = AMIN1(AMAX1(U1,-87.0),+87.0)
GO = CO*(SIN(G9)+G8*(EXP(U)-COS(G9)))/(1.0+G8*G8)
G3 = CO*(G8*(EXP(U1)+1.0))
A *EXP((K9-24.0)/2.0)/(1.0+G8*G8)
GO = AMAX1(GO,G3)
GOTO 140
120 CONTINUE
C

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C   NIGHT TIME at CONTROL PCINT
C
C   6th Order Fourier series night time factor for M-factor,
C   based on hours after sunset, T2
C
      IF (T4 .GT. T5) T6=T6+24.0
      T1 = T6-T4
      T2 = 14.0*T1/(24.0-K9)
      AG = PI*(T2+1.0)/15.0
      AG1 = 2.0*AG
      AG2 = 4.0*AG
      AG3 = 6.0*AG
      AG4 = 8.0*AG
      AG5 = 10.0*AG
      AG6 = 12.0*AG
      A14 = 1.0195-.06*SIN(AG1)-.037*COS(AG1)+.018*SIN(AG2)
      A24 = -.003*COS(AG2)+.025*SIN(AG3)+.018*COS(AG3)
      A34 = .007*SIN(AG4)-.005*COS(AG4)+.006*SIN(AG5)
      A44 = .017*COS(AG5)-.009*SIN(AG6)-.004*COS(AG6)
      A4 = A14+A24+A34+A44
C
      G8 = PI*T9/K9
      U = (T4-T6)/2.0
      U = AMIN1(AMAX1(U,-75.0),+75.0)
      U1 = -K9/T9
      U1 = AMIN1(AMAX1(U1,-75.0),+75.0)
      G0 = CO*(G8*(EXP(U1)+1.0))*EXP(U)/(1.0+G8*G8)
140  CONTINUE
C
      G2 = SQRT(6.0+A1*SQRT(G0))+GYRO
      G2 = G2*(1.0-0.1*EXP((K9-24.0)/3.0))
      G2 = G2*(1.0+(1.0-SYGN(TLAT)*SYGN(RLAT))*0.1)
      G2 = G2*(1.0-0.1*(1.0+SYGN(ABS(SIN(LO))
      *      -COS(LO))))
C
      IF (ABS(MLAT) .GE. 0.95993) THEN
C
C   FOF2 corrects for polar region FOF2. The result is G2 if
C   not in polar region
C
      G2 = M9*FOF2(G2,LMT,ITIME,LO,WO,MLAT,SSN)
      ELSE
      G2 = G2*M9
      END IF
C
      G2 = G2*A2*A3*A4
      CMUF = AMIN1(CMUF,G2)
160  CONTINUE
      GZERO=G0
      CMUF = AMIN1(AMAX1(CMUF,2.0),50.0)
      SLAT=Y2
      SLON=Y1
C
      RETURN
      END

      FUNCTION FOF2(FF2,LMT,ITIME,LAT,LON,MLAT,SSN)
C
C   * * * * * FUNCTION FOF2 * * * * *
C   X = FOF2(FF2,LMT,ITIME,LAT,LON,MLAT,SSN)
C
C   This FUNCTION Corrects the F2-Layer Critical Frequency Computed
C   by MUF35 for Polar Latitude uSING the CHIU Model.
C
C   Reference to be Supplied when Available.
C
C   INPUT:

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FF2 - Critical Frequency from MUF35 in MHz - REAL
LMT - Local Mean Time at LAT, LON in Hours - REAL
ITIME - Integer Array containing Month, Day - INTEGER
        Hour, Minute, Julian Day, and Year
LAT - Geographic Latitude in Radians - REAL
LON - Geographic West Longitude in Radians - REAL
MLAT - Magnetic Latitude in Radians - REAL
SSN - Sunspot Number - REAL

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OUTPUT:
FOF2 - The F2-layer Critical Freq. in MHz - REAL

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CALLED by SUBROUTINE or FUNCTION: MUF35

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SUBROUTINES and FUNCTIONS CALLED: None

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*** COMMON BLOCKS Referenced: None

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INTEGER ITIME(6)
REAL LAT,LMT,LON,MLAT,MLON
DATA PI/3.1415926/

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PHI = LMT*PI/12.0
TMO = ITIME(1)+(ITIME(2)+ITIME(3)/24.0+ITIME(4)/1440.0)/30.0-0.5
CMLAT = COS(MLAT)
MLON = COS(LAT)*SIN(LON-1.2043)/CMLAT
MLON = AMAX1(AMIN1(MLON,1.0),-1.0)
MLON = ASIN(MLON)
X = (2.2+(0.2+SSN/1000.0)*SIN(MLAT))*CMLAT
FF = EXP(-(X**6))
GG = 1.0-FF
T = PI*TMO/12.0
V = SIN(T)
IF (MLAT .GE. 0.0) THEN
    W = EXP(-1.2*(COS(MLAT-0.41015*COS(PHI))-CMLAT))
    PLR = (2.0+0.012*SSN)*W*(1.0+0.3*V)
ELSE
    U = COS(T+T)
    Y = SIN(MLON/2.0)
    YS = COS(MLON/2.0-PI/20.0)
    Z = SIN(MLON)
    ZA = SQRT(ABS(Z))
    AM = 1.0+V
    B = V*((Y-Z)/2.0-Y**8)-AM*U*(Z/ZA)*EXP(-4.0*Y*Y)
    YS4 = YS**4
    PLR = (2.5+SSN/50.0+U*(0.5+(1.3+0.002*SSN)*YS4)
    * (1.3+0.005*SSN)*COS(PHI-PI*(1.0+B)))
    * (1.0+0.4*(1.0-V*V))*EXP(-V*YS4)
END IF
FOF2 = 2.85*SQRT(GG*FF2*FF2/8.12+0.66*FF*PLR)
RETURN
END

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SUBROUTINE PATH(TLAT,TLON,RLAT,RLON,CPNT)

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* * * * * SUBROUTINE PATH * * * * *
CALL PATH(TLAT,TLON,RLAT,RLON,CPNT)

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This Routine Computes the Range, Azimuth, and Control Point
Coordinates for a Given Propagation Path. The Method Assumes
a Spherical Earth with a Radius of 6371 km. The Required Input
for this Module is:

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TLAT - Transmitter Latitude in Radians
TLON - Transmitter West Longitude in Radians
RLAT - Receiver Latitude in Radians
RLON - Receiver West Longitude in Radians

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This SUBROUTINE Returns the Following Information in an 8 word

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                                Real Array (CPNT):
CPNT(1) - Distance between the RCVR and XMTR in Radians
CPNT(2) - Latitude of Midpoint in Radians
CPNT(3) - West Longitude in Radians
CPNT(4) - Latitude of Point 1000km from the RCVR in Radians
CPNT(5) - West Longitude of Point 1000km from RCVR in Radians
CPNT(6) - Latitude of Point 1000km from XMTR in Radians
CPNT(7) - West Longitude of Point 1000km from XMTR in Radians
CPNT(8) - Azimuth from RCVR to XMTR in Radians

CPNT(4) through CPNT(7) will not be Computed for Paths less than
1000km (0.15696 Radians) in Length.

SUBROUTINES and FUNCTIONS Used:  GCRAZ
                                RAZGC

*** COMMON BLOCKS Referenced: None
    DIMENSION CPNT(8)
*** GET RANGE and AZIMUTH
    CALL GCRAZ(RLAT,RLON,TLAT,TLON,CPNT(1),CPNT(8))

*** GET MIDPOINT COORDINATES
    PL = CPNT(1)/2.0

    CALL RAZGC(RLAT,RLON,PL,CPNT(8),CPNT(2),CPNT(3))

*** IS the PATH LENGTH >= 1000km?
    IF (CPNT(1) .LT. 0.15696) GOTO 100

*** YES: GET COORDINATES of 1000km POINTS
    PL = 0.15696
    CALL RAZGC(RLAT,RLON,PL,CPNT(8),CPNT(4),CPNT(5))
    PL = CPNT(1)-0.15696
    CALL RAZGC(RLAT,RLON,PL,CPNT(8),CPNT(6),CPNT(7))
100 CONTINUE
    RETURN
    END

SUBROUTINE RAZGC(LAT1,LON1,RANGE,AZIM,LAT2,LON2)
* * * * * SUBROUTINE RAZGC * * * * *
CALL RAZGC(LAT1,LON1,RANGE,AZIM,LAT2,LON2)

This Routine Computes the Latitude and West Longitude (LAT2,LON2)
of a Point, a Specified Range from a Given Point on the Earth's
Surface. Also Required for Input is the Azimuth (AZIM) to the New
Point in Radians. This Method Assumes a Spherical Earth and
Recognizes the Degenerate Cases of the Given Point being at the
North or South pole. For the Degenerate Cases, Azimuth Should be
0, or PI and LON2 is Undefined. However, Azimuth is not Checked
and LON2 is Arbitrarily Set Equal to LON1. This Routine Recognizes
the Degenerate Case when Range is set to 0. All Coordinates
are in Radians.

SUBROUTINES and FUNCTIONS Used:  None

*** COMMON BLOCKS Referenced: None
    REAL LAT1,LON1,LAT2,LON2
    DATA PI/3.14159/,TWOPI/6.28318/,HALFPI/1.570796/
    DATA RTD/57.295779/,DTR/0.017453/
*** TEST for DEGENERATE CASES
    IF (ABS(LAT1-HALFPI) .GT. 1.0E-5) GOTO 100

*** THE GIVEN POINT is the NORTH POLE
    LAT2 = HALFPI-RANGE
    LON2 = LON1
    GOTO 200
100 CONTINUE

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        IF (ABS(LAT1+HALFPI) .GT. 1.0E-5) GOTO 120
! *** THE GIVEN POINT is the SOUTH POLE
        LAT2 = RANGE-HALFPI
        LON2 = LON1
        GOTO 200
120 CONTINUE
        IF (RANGE .GT. 0.0) GOTO 130
! *** POINT 2 COINCIDENT with POINT 1
        LAT2 = LAT1
        LON2 = LON1
        GO TO 200
130 CONTINUE
! *** GENERAL CASE
        S1 = SIN(LAT1)
        C1 = COS(LAT1)
        C2 = COS(RANGE)
        CA = S1*C2+C1*SIN(RANGE)*COS(AZIM)
        CA = AMIN1(AMAX1(CA,-1.0),+1.0)
        A = ACOS(CA)
! *** TEST if DESTINATION ENDS UP on the POLES
        IF (ABS(A) .GT. 1.0E-5) GOTO 140
        LAT2 = HALFPI
        LON2 = LON1
        GOTO 200
140 CONTINUE
        IF (ABS(A-PI) .GT. 1.0E-5) GOTO 150
        LAT2 = -HALFPI
        LON2 = LON1
        GOTO 200
150 CONTINUE
! *** EVERYTHING SEEMS O.K. - GET DESTINATION COORDINATES
        CG = (C2-S1*CA)/(C1*SIN(A))
        CG = AMIN1(AMAX1(CG,-1.0),+1.0)
        G = ACOS(CG)
        LAT2 = HALFPI-A
        SA = SIN(AZIM)
        IF (SA .GE. 0.0) LON2=AMOD(LON1-G,TWOPI)
        IF (SA .LT. 0.0) LON2=AMOD(LON1+G,TWOPI)
200 CONTINUE
        RETURN
        END

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FUNCTION SYGN(Y)

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! * * * * * REAL FUNCTION SYGN * * * * *
! X=SYGN(Y)
!
! This FUNCTION Returns the Value of 0 if Y is 0, -1. If Y is Less
! Than 0 and a +1. If Y is Greater Than 0.
!
! SUBROUTINES and FUNCTIONS Used: None
!
! *** COMMON BLOCKS Referenced: None
! IF (Y) 100,200,300
100 SYGN = -1.0
    GOTO 999
200 SYGN = 0.0
    GOTO 999
300 SYGN = 1.0
999 RETURN
    END

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SUBROUTINE GCRAZ(TLAT,TLON,RLAT,RLON,RANGE,AZIM)

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C
C      This routine was copied from "Quiet Time Lowest Observable
C      Frequency Model" by D. B. Sailors and W. K. Moision, NOSC
C      Technical Report 1189, August 1987.
C
C      CALL GCRAZ(TLAT,TLON,RLAT,RLON,RANGE,AZIM)
C
C      This routine computes the great circle range and azimuth
C      between two points on the earth's surface. TLAT and TLON
C      are the coordinates of point 1, RLAT and RLON are the
C      coordinates of point 2. Both longitudes are west longitudes.
C      The output is RANGE, the distance between the two points
C      in radians, and AZIM, the azimuth from one point to the other
C      in radians. This method assumes a spherical earth and
C      recognizes the degenerate cases of point 1 at the north
C      or south pole or points 1 and 2 coincident. All coordinates
C      are in radians.
C
C      Subroutines and functions used:  none
C
C      common blocks:  none
C
C      REAL  TLAT,TLON,RLAT,RLON
C      DATA PI/3.14159/,TWOPI/6.28318/,HALFPI/1.570796/
C      & ,DTR/0.017453/, RTD/57.295779/
C
C      TEST FOR DEGENERATE CASES
C
C      IF (ABS(TLAT-HALFPI).GT. 1.0E-5) GO TO 100
C
C      POINT 1 IS AT THE NORTH POLE
C
C      RANGE=HALFPI-RLAT
C      AZIM=PI
C      GO TO 140
100  CONTINUE
C      IF (ABS(TLAT+HALFPI) .GT. 1.0E-5) GO TO 120
C
C      POINT 1 IS AT THE SOUTH POLE
C
C      RANGE=HALFPI+RLAT
C      AZIM=0.0
C      GO TO 140
120  CONTINUE
C      IF(ABS(TLAT-RLAT) .GT. 1.0E-5 .OR.
C      &  ABS(TLON-RLON) .GT. 1.0E-5 ) GO TO 130
C
C      POINTS 1 AND 2 ARE COINCIDENT
C
C      RANGE=1.0E-8
C      AZIM=0.0
C      GO TO 140
130  CONTINUE
C
C      GENERAL CASE
C
C      S1=SIN(TLAT)
C      C1=COS(TLAT)
C      S2=SIN(RLAT)
C      CR=S1*S2+C1*COS(RLAT)*COS(TLON-RLON)
C      CR=AMIN1(AMAX1(CR, -1.0),+1.0)
C      RANGE=ACOS(CR)
C      CA=(S2-S1*CR)/(C1*SIN(RANGE))
C      CA=AMIN1(AMAX1(CA, -1.0), +1.0)
C      AZIM=ACOS(CA)
C      IF(SIN(TLON-RLON) .LT. 0.0) AZIM=TWOPI-AZIM
140  CONTINUE
C      RETURN
C      END

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C
SUBROUTINE QLOF (CPNT,DTG,LOF)
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C
SUBROUTINE QLOF
C
CALL QLOF (CPNT,DTG,LUF)
C
THIS ROUTINE COMPUTES THE LUF FOR SOLAR QUIET CONDITIONS (WHEN
C
XRAY FLUX <1.85E-3). THE REQUIRED INPUT IS CPNT WHICH IS DE-
C
FINED IN SUBROUTINE PATH AND ITIME WHICH IS A SIX ELEMENT
C
INTEGER ARRAY CONTAINING MONTH, DAY, HOUR, MINUTE, JULIAN DAY,
C
AND YEAR. THIS ROUTINE RETURNS LUFs.
C
SUBROUTINES AND FUNCTIONS USED:  ABSORB
C
COMMON BLOCKS:  NONE
CZ
DIMENSION CPNT(8)
REAL      LOF, K, K3
INTEGER   ITIME(6)
CHARACTER*12 DTG
D = CPNT(1)*6371.0
LOF = 0.5
CALL DHOUR(DTG,ITIME(6),ITIME(5),ITIME(1),ITIME(2),
A  ITIME(3),Fhour,REFHOUR)
C
CALCULATE LUF FOR PATH < 2000 KM
IF (D .GT. 2000.) GOTO 200
A = CPNT(1)/2.
B = SIN(A)
C = COS(A)
CALL ABSORB (ITIME,CPNT(2),CPNT(3),A1,CHI)
LOF = SQRT(A1/40./SQRT(1.-0.9784/(1.+((C-0.985)/B)**2)))
GOTO 1000

C
CALCULATE LUF FOR PATH < 3300 KM
200 IF (D .GT. 3300.) GOTO 400
K = (4.0+1.875E-3*D)*0.045
CALL ABSORB (ITIME,CPNT(2),CPNT(3),A1,CHI)
LOF = K*SQRT(A1)
GOTO 1000

C
CALCULATE LUF FOR PATH > 3300 KM
400 K = (7.5+0.001*D)*0.045

C
CALCULATE LUF FOR PATH > 6600 KM
IF (D .LE. 6600.) GOTO 500
K3 = 1-0.3768*(CPNT(1)-1.0361)
K = K3*K
500 CALL ABSORB (ITIME,CPNT(2),CPNT(3),AB1,CHI)
CALL ABSORB (ITIME,CPNT(4),CPNT(5),AB2,CHI)
CALL ABSORB (ITIME,CPNT(6),CPNT(7),AB3,CHI)
LOF = K*SQRT((AB1*2.0+AB2+AB3)/4.0)
1000 CONTINUE
LOF = AMIN1(AMAX1(LOF,0.5),50.0)
RETURN
END

SUBROUTINE ABSORB (ITIME, LAT, LON, A1, CHI)
CP
C
SUBROUTINE ABSORB
C
THIS ROUTINE COMPUTES THE IONOSPHERIC ABSORPTION INDEX AT
C
POSITION LAT AND LON AT ITIME. ITIME IS A SIX ELEMENT INTE-
C
GER ARRAY FOR MONTH, DAY, HOUR, MINUTE, JULIAN DAY, AND YEAR.
C
LAT AND LON ARE IN RADIANS. THE RESULTS OF THIS ROUTINE ARE
C
STORED IN A1 (ABSORPTION INDEX) AND CHI (SOLAR ZENITH ANGLE
C
IN RADIANS). THIS ROUTINE WAS WRITTEN BY DR. PAUL ARGO
C
(NOSC). LAT AND LON ARE IN RADIANS AND WEST LONGITUDES.

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C      SUBROUTINES AND FUNCTIONS USED:  CH
C
C      COMMON BLOCKS:      PIDEGS
C                          SUN
CZ
      REAL          LAT, LON, M, N, LAD
      INTEGER       ITIME(6)

C      COMMON          /SUN/      SLAT,SLON
      CALL SUBSOL( ITIME,SLAT,SLON)
C      INCLUDE PIDEGS.INC
      RTD=57.29577951
C      COMPUTE SOLAR ZENITH ANGLE
      W = 1.0
      CHI = SIN(LAT)*SIN(SLAT)+COS(LAT)*COS(SLAT)*COS(LON-SLON)
      CHI = AMAX1(CHI,-1.)
      CHI = AMIN1(CHI, 1.)
      CHI = ACOS(CHI)
      CHINON = ABS(SLAT-LAT)
      IF (CHINON .LT. 1.57) GOTO 80
      AI = 1.0E-13
      RETURN
80 LAD = ABS(LAT)*RTD

C      TEST IF HIGH LATITUDE WINTER CORRECTION IS NEEDED
      IF (LAD .LT. 30.0) GOTO 100
      IF (( ITIME(1) .EQ. 1 .OR. ITIME(1) .EQ. 12) .AND. LAT .GT. 0.0)
      *   GOTO 90
      IF (( ITIME(1) .EQ. 6 .OR. ITIME(1) .EQ. 7) .AND. LAT .LT. 0.0)
      *   GOTO 90
      GOTO 100
90 W = 1.0+0.0275*(30.0-ABS(60.0-LAD))

C      COMPUTE ABSORPTION INDEX BASED ON LATITUDE
100 CONTINUE
      ALAT = ABS(LAT)
      IF (ALAT .LT. 0.45) N=1.4-ALAT*2.44
      IF (ALAT .GE. 0.45 .AND. ALAT .LT. 1.0875) N=0.3
      IF (ALAT .GE. 1.0875 .AND. ALAT .LT. 1.367)
      *   N=-(ALAT-1.0875)*1.07+0.3
      IF (ALAT .GE. 1.367) N=0
      CSXN = COS(CHINON)**N
      ABSP = 286.0*W*(1.0+0.5*ALAT)*CSXN
      IF (ABSP .LT. 1.0E-11) ABSP=1.0E-11
      IF (LAD .GT. 18.0) GOTO 201
      M = 0.5*(0.58+(LAD/18.0)*0.08)
      GOTO 300
201 CONTINUE
      IF (LAD .GT. 24.0) GOTO 202
      M = 0.5*(0.66+0.22*(LAD-18.0)/6.0)
      GOTO 300
202 CONTINUE
      M = 0.44

C      ADJUST ACCORDING TO SOLAR ZENITH ANGLE IF DAYLIT
300 CONTINUE
      AI = ABSP*0.01
      IF (CHI .GT. 1.8) RETURN
C      TYPE*, ' ABSP=', ABSP, ' CHI=', CHI, ' CH(921.0,CHI)=',
C      A      CH(921.0,CHI), ' CH(921.0,CHINON)=', CH(921.0,CHINON),
C      B      ' M=', M
      AI = ABSP*(CH(921.0,CHI)/CH(921.0,CHINON))**(-2.0*M)
      RETURN
      END

CP      FUNCTION CH (X,Y)

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C      REAL FUNCTION CH
C
C      X = CH(X,Y)
C
C      THIS FUNCTION COMPUTES THE CHAPMAN'S GRAZING INCIDENCE INTEGRAL
C      WHERE X IS THE PARAMETER RELATED TO THE ATMOSPHERIC DENSITY AND
C      SCALE HEIGHT, AND Y IS THE SOLAR ZENEITH IN RADIAN. THIS ROUTINE
C      IS ACCURATE TO 0.1% WHEN  $X*(U-SIN(I)) < 10$  OR  $COS(Y) > 0$ .
C
C      SUBROUTINES AND FUNCTIONS USED:  CHPINT
C
C      COMMON BLOCKS:  CHPMN
CZ
COMMON      /CHPMN/      XC, G, YC

XC = X
YC = Y
CY = COS(Y)
CYL = CY - 0.0174533
IF (350.*Y .GT. X*CYL**4) GOTO 10
CH = 1./CY
RETURN
10 G = X*SIN(Y)/(X+ALOG(X)+20.0)
G = ATAN(G/SQRT(1.0-G*G))
G = (G-Y)/20.0
IF (CYL .LT. 0.0) GOTO 30
IF (X*CYL .LT. 40.*Y) GOTO 20
CH = -X*SIN(Y)*G*(.1464466*CHPINT(3.414214)
*      + .8535534*CHPINT(.5857864))
RETURN
20 CH = -X*SIN(Y)*G*(.5392947E-3*CHPINT(9.395071)
*      + .03888791*CHPINT(4.536620)
*      + .3574187*CHPINT(1.745761)
*      + .6031541*CHPINT(.3225477))
RETURN
30 CH = -X*SIN(Y)*G*(.4249314E-6*CHPINT(16.27926)
*      + .2825923E-4*CHPINT(11.84379)
*      + .7530084E-3*CHPINT(8.330153)
*      + .009501517*CHPINT(5.552496)
*      + .06208746*CHPINT(3.401434)
*      + .2180683*CHPINT(1.808343)
*      + .4011199*CHPINT(.7294545)
*      + .3084411*CHPINT(.1377935))
RETURN
END

FUNCTION CHPINT (Z)
CP
C      REAL FUNCTION CHPINT
C      X = CHPINT(Z)
C
C      THIS ROUTINE COMPUTES THE INTEGRAND OF THE CHAPMAN INTEGRAL.
C
C      SUBROUTINES AND FUNCTIONS USED:  NONE
C
C      COMMON BLOCKS:  CHPMN
CZ
COMMON      /CHPMN/      X, G, Y

Q = Z*G
U = SIN(Q+Y)
Q = Q/2.0
CHPINT = EXP(2.0*X*SIN(Q)*COS(Y+Q)/U+Z)/U/U
RETURN
END

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SUBROUTINE SUBSOL (ITIME,SLAT,SLON)
CP
C SUBROUTINE SUBSOL
C
C CALL SUBSOL(ITIME)
C
C THIS ROUTINE COMPUTES THE COORDINATES OF THE SUB-SOLAR POINT
C FOR A GIVEN TIME. ITIME IS A SIX ELEMENT INTEGER ARRAY CON-
C TAINING THE MONTH, DAY, HOUR, MINUTE, JULIAN DAY, AND YEAR.
C THE COORDINATES COMPUTED ARE STORED IN SLAT AND SLON IN
C COMMON SUN.

C SUBROUTINES AND FUNCTIONS USED: NONE
C
C COMMON BLOCKS: SUN
CZ
C INTEGER ITIME(6), YEAR
C
C COMMON /SUN/ SLAT, SLON
C
C DATA AO/0.3798/,A1/-23.0009/
C DATA A2,A3,A4,A5,A6/-0.3802,-0.1550,-0.0076,-0.0025,-0.0004/
C DATA B1,B2,B3,B4,B5/ 3.5354, 0.0302, 0.0728, 0.0032, 0.0020/
C DATA C1,C2,C3,C4,C5/ 0.5965,-2.9502,-0.0653,-0.1248,-0.0103/
C DATA D1,D2,D3,D4,D5/-7.3435,-9.4847,-0.3083,-0.1747,-0.0159/
C DATA ONE,TWO/1.0,2.0/
C DATA TWOP/6.28319/,DTR/0.0174533/
C
C I HOUR = ITIME(3)
C MINUTE = ITIME(4)
C JDAY = ITIME(5)
C YEAR = ITIME(6)
C DAY = JDAY+I HOUR/24.0+MINUTE/1440.0
C
C K = MOD(YEAR,4)
C DATE = 365.0*FLOAT(K)+0.0078*(FLOAT(YEAR)-68.0)
C IF (K .NE. 0) DATE=DATE+1.0
C DATE = DATE+DAY
C X = DATE*TWOP/365.25
C SX = SIN(X)
C CX = COS(X)
C TWOCX = TWO*CX
C
C RECURSIVE CALCULATION FOR COS(N*X) AND SIN (N*X),N=2,6
C2X = TWOCX*CX-ONE
C S2X = TWOCX*SX
C3X = TWOCX*C2X-CX
C S3X = TWOCX*S2X-SX
C4X = TWOCX*C3X-C2X
C S4X = TWOCX*S3X-S2X
C5X = TWOCX*C4X-C3X
C S5X = TWOCX*S4X-S3X
C6X = TWOCX*C5X-C4X
C
C FOURIER EXPANSION FOR SOLAR DECLINATION AND EQUATION OF TIME
C DEC = AO+A1*CX+A2*C2X+A3*C3X+A4*C4X+A5*C5X+A6*C6X
C +B1*SX+B2*S2X+B3*S3X+B4*S4X+B5*S5X
C EQNT = C1*CX+C2*C2X+C3*C3X+C4*C4X+C5*C5X
C +D1*SX+D2*S2X+D3*S3X+D4*S4X+D5*S5X
C GHA = I HOUR-(12.0-EQNT/60.0)+MINUTE/60.0
C SLAT = DEC*DTR
C SLON = 15.0*GHA*DTR
C IF (SLON .LT. 0.0) SLON=SLON+TWOP
C RETURN
C END

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**TABLE 1**  
**Sunspot Number of the 133-Month Mean Sunspot Cycle**  
**Used in Subroutine MEANSSN**

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>SSN</u>	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>SSN</u>	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>SSN</u>
0	5.0	45	104.5	90	45.0
1	5.0	46	104.5	91	44.0
2	5.5	47	105.0	92	43.0
3	6.0	48	105.0	93	41.5
4	6.5	49	105.0	94	40.0
5	7.0	50	104.5	95	38.0
6	8.0	51	104.5	96	37.0
7	9.0	52	104.0	97	35.5
8	10.0	53	104.0	98	34.0
9	11.0	54	103.5	99	33.0
10	12.0	55	103.0	100	32.0
11	14.0	56	102.0	101	30.5
12	16.0	57	101.5	102	29.5
13	20.0	58	100.5	103	28.5
14	21.0	59	99.5	104	27.0
15	24.0	60	98.5	105	26.0
16	26.5	61	98.0	106	25.0
17	31.0	62	97.0	107	24.0
18	34.0	63	96.0	108	23.5
19	38.0	64	95.0	109	22.5
20	42.0	65	93.0	110	22.0
21	45.0	66	91.5	111	20.5
22	48.0	67	89.0	112	20.0
23	53.5	68	87.0	113	19.0
24	57.0	69	85.0	114	18.0
25	60.0	70	83.0	115	17.5
26	63.0	71	81.0	116	17.0
27	67.5	72	78.5	117	16.0
28	70.0	73	76.0	118	15.0
29	74.5	74	74.0	119	14.0
30	78.0	75	70.5	120	13.5
31	80.0	76	68.5	121	13.0
32	83.5	77	66.5	122	12.5
33	85.5	78	65.0	123	12.0
34	88.0	79	62.0	124	11.0
35	92.0	80	60.0	125	11.0
36	94.0	81	59.0	126	10.0
37	96.5	82	56.5	127	10.0
38	97.5	83	55.0	128	(9.8)
39	100.0	84	53.0	129	(9.6)
40	101.0	85	52.0	130	(9.4)
41	102.0	86	51.0	131	(9.2)
42	103.0	87	49.0	132	(9.0)
43	103.5	89	47.5		
44	104.0	88	48.0		

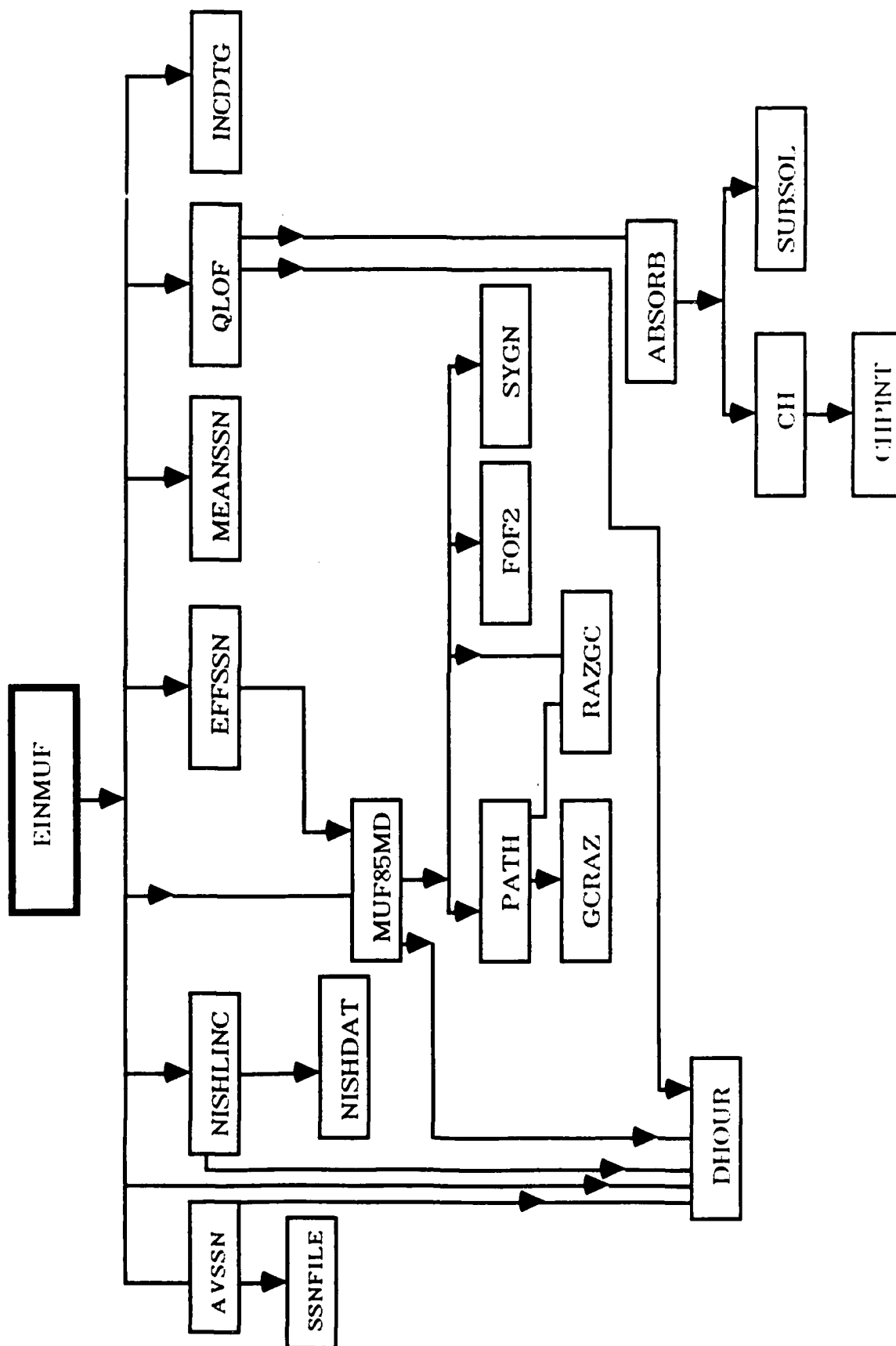


Figure 1. Paths connecting EINMUF program elements.



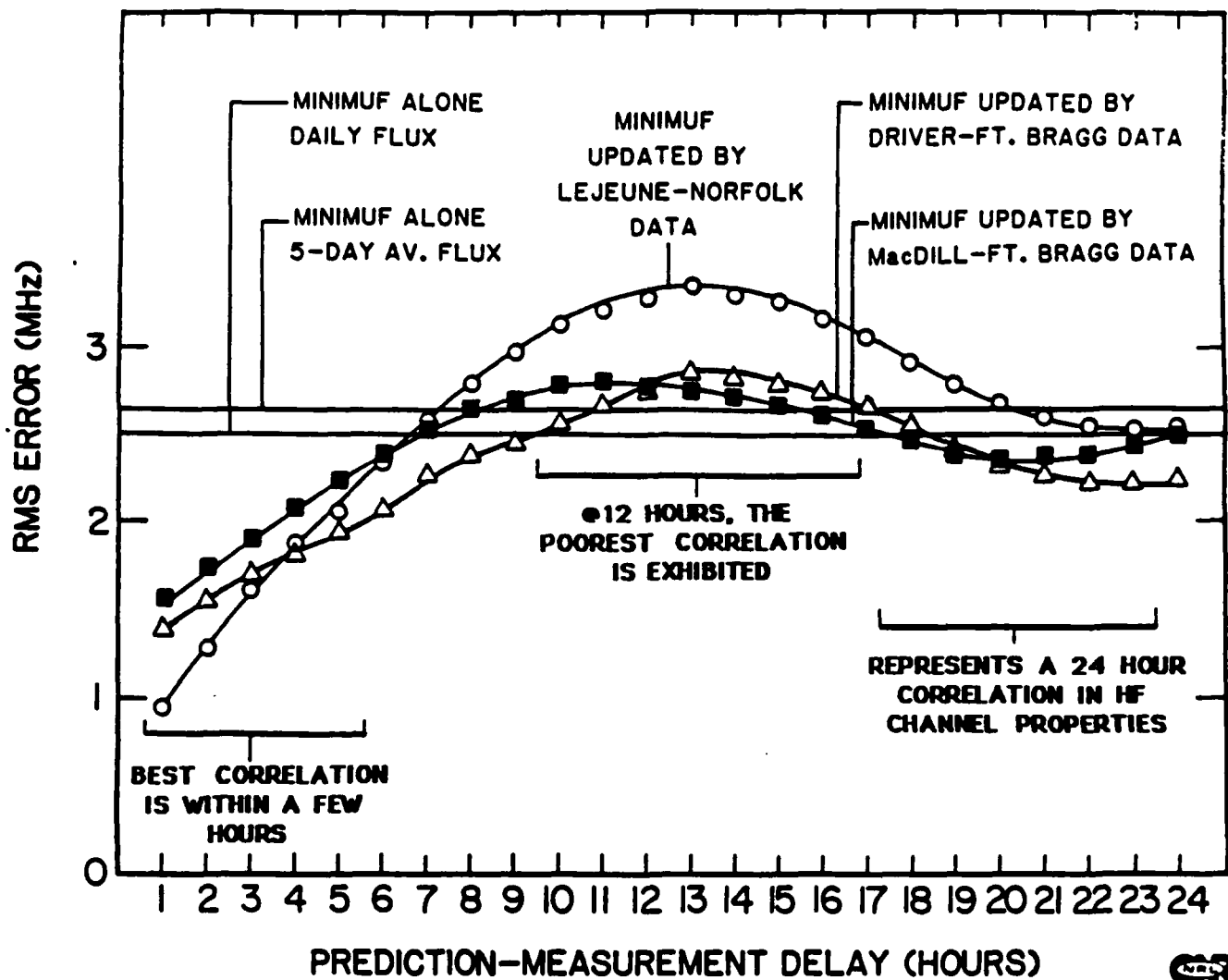


Figure 2. Rms error between actual MOFs on the Lejeune-Norfolk path and MOFs predicted by a variety of techniques, as a function of time delay between prediction and measurement. Data include approximately 335 hourly predictions for each value of time delay. This figure taken from Daehler (1984).

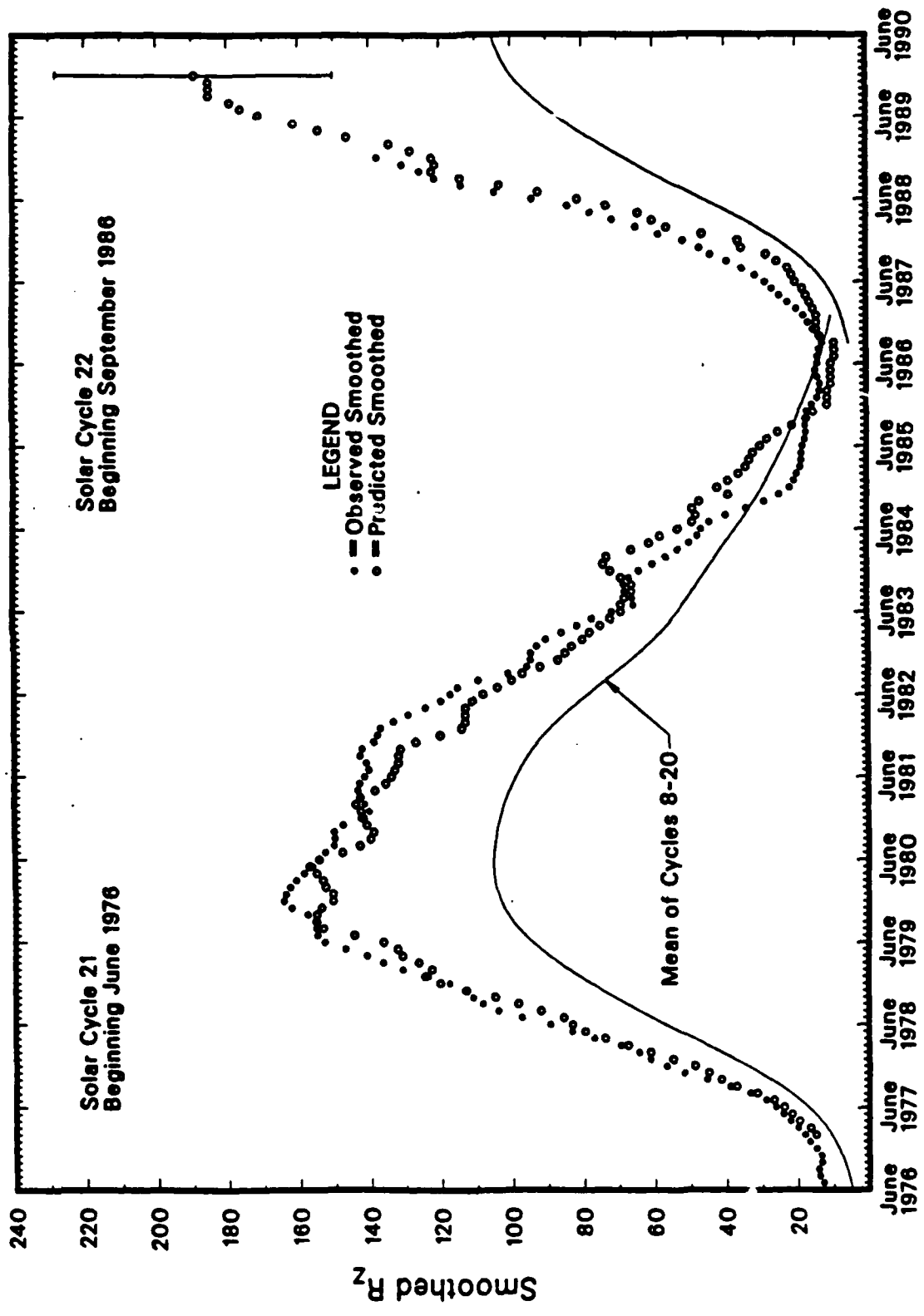


Figure 3. Observed and predicted monthly sunspot numbers. The solid line represents the mean sunspot number measured for solar cycles 8-20. Observed and predicted sunspot numbers for cycle 21 and the beginning of cycle 22 (the current cycle, starting September 1986) are represented by solid and open circles, respectively. (From Solar-Geophysical Data Prompt Reports, Nbr. 539, Part I, Page 17, July 1989.)

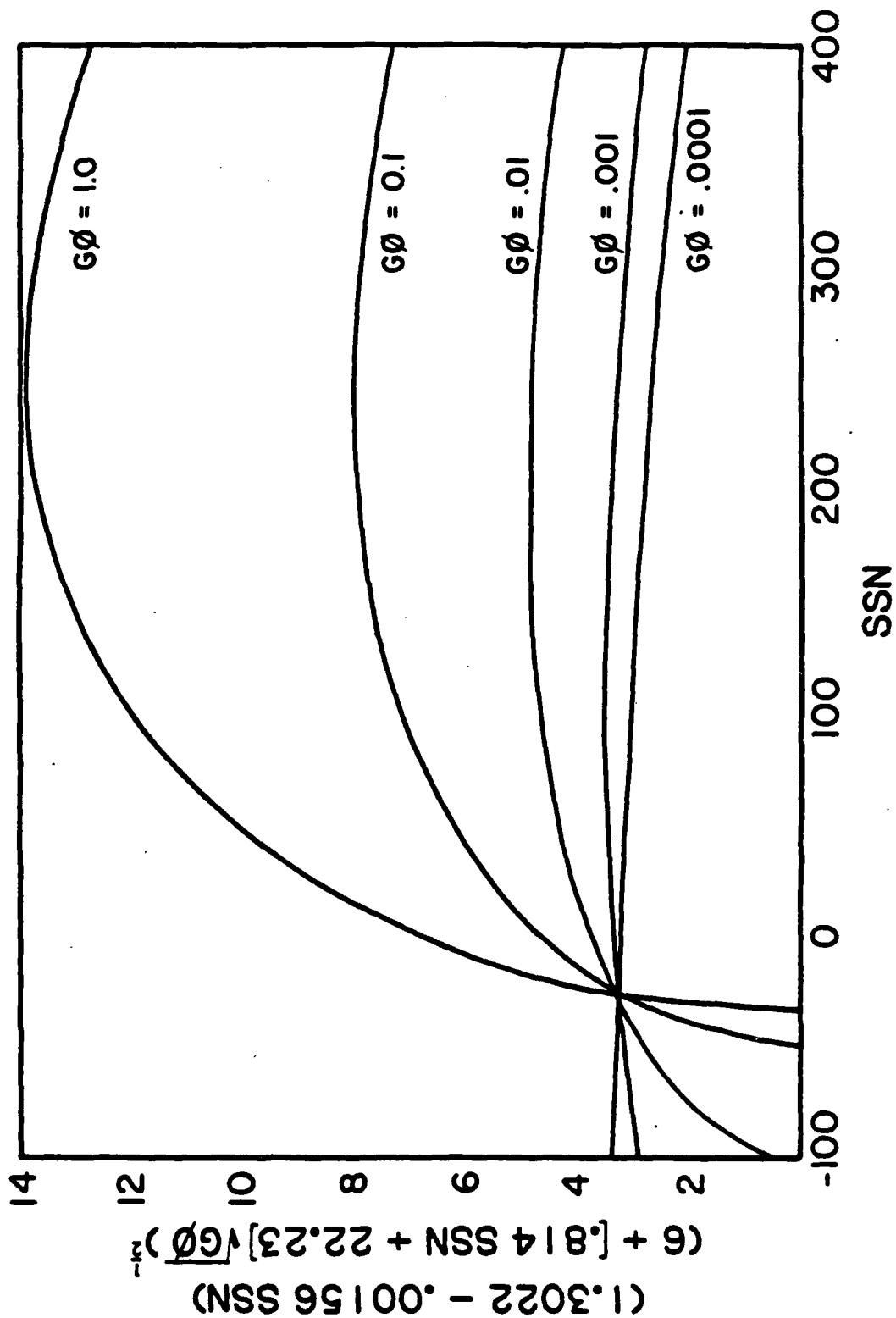


Figure 4. The function  $G(\text{SSN}, G_0) = (1.3022 - .00156 \text{ SSN}) \text{SQRT}(6 + [.814 \text{ SSN} + 22.23] \text{SQRT}(G_0))$  from MINIMUF85. The MINIMUF85 MUF for a given path and time is proportional to this quantity, which contains the sunspot dependence. The variable  $G_0$  is the effective Zenith angle.